

Election 2013

No Controversies to Help Voters Select the Next City Council

by James Giese

This Tuesday’s city council election has engendered little controversy. The seven incumbent councilmembers have all chosen to run again at a time when there are no issues creating strong differences of opinion relating to governance of the city. Only two persons have chosen to challenge the incumbents and no matter how the election goes, most, if not all, of the incumbents will be reelected. The years of service on council by the incumbents range from four to 32 years. All have taken their responsibilities seriously, regularly attended meetings and actively participated in city events. As such, they have become well-known throughout the community. Without divisive issues to roil the public, challenging an incumbent becomes a daunting task. Another reason that causes many to think twice about seeking office is that this part-time job entails a lot of time

and a lot of work. There are meetings to attend, not only council meetings, but meetings of other organizations of local officials and of city organizations. And there are decisions that must be made, sometimes very difficult ones in which somebody will take offense however one chooses to vote. What the city does affects the daily lives of its residents. Greenbelt’s first-call police department and its support of volunteer fire companies serve the city provide safety and wellbeing 24 hours a day. Its recreational programs offer ways to stay physically healthy, foster artistic endeavors and provide alternate activities for youths other than punching keyboards or watching screens. Its Public Works Department keeps city streets in good repair, maintains our parks and playgrounds and public buildings and supports numerous non-city civic events

and specialized city programs which serve smaller groups of residents with special needs. City services cost money. Although while most would prefer someone else to pick up the tab, it’s the painful duty of the council to impose tax levies and make hard choices as to what taxes residents and property owners can afford to pay and what services the city can afford to offer. If for no other reason, city voters who have not yet voted should go to their local polling place to use their ballot as a way of expressing their thanks to those seven candidates they most prefer, whether incumbents or challengers, for their willingness to assume for the next two years the challenging and time-consuming job of being a city councilmember.

Issues
There is not at this time a

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7 Incumbents, 2 Challengers Run In Nov. 5 City Council Election

by James Giese

The following is a summary of city council candidates information in the order names appear on the ballot.

Susan Stewart
Susan Stewart is a first-time candidate for council and a resident of the city for seven years. She lives in GHI and votes in the Greenbelt North End precinct. She has a master’s degree in music from the University of Notre Dame. She is a stay-at-home mother and activist. Her accomplishments are: volunteer with Greenbelt Climate Action Network, Greenbelt Elementary School PTA (co-chair of Labor Day book sale), Chesapeake Climate Action Network, 1Sky, 350.org., Prince George’s Chapter of the Sierra Club (on the executive committee); leadership training with Progressive Majority and Wellstone Action. She has attended conferences of the Campaign for America’s Future, Peace and Justice Coalition, Powershift and Progressive Maryland; volunteers in the school library and at the Greenbelt Farmer’s Market; and started a project called Treadle Tree to make reusable bags out of T-shirts with a treadle-

powered sewing machine. Her three top priorities are to support our historic community gardens, to move towards zero waste and to achieve one Greenbelt with one greenway. She also supports economic development to attract green businesses, rejuvenate city commercial areas and make other areas more accessible and walkable.

Silke Pope
Silke Pope is seeking her third term on council. She lives in Belle Point and votes in the Greenbelt Center precinct. She formerly lived in Springhill Lake apartments and has been a resident for 15 years. She works with underserved children at Springhill Lake Elementary School and previously at Greenbelt Middle School. Her accomplishments are: former member and chair of Greenbelt Public Safety Committee, former president of Greenbelt American Legion Post 136 Auxiliary, president of Belle Point homeowners association. She also received a fellowship to attend the Academy for

Excellence in Local Governance at the University of Maryland. Her top three priorities are: budget (making the hard choices); transportation (finding ways to implement a bicycle and pedestrian master plan) and economic development (a long-term pursuit). She also supports the FBI’s moving to Greenbelt as a spur to economic development and urges caution on how the city levies taxes.

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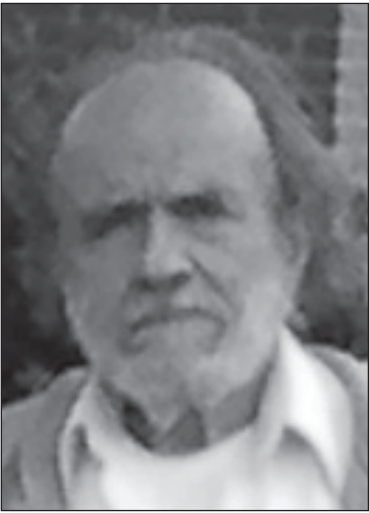
What Goes On
Sunday, November 3
1 to 5 p.m., Artful Afternoon, Greenbelt Community Center
Tuesday, November 5
7 a.m. to 8 p.m., Greenbelt City Election
Tuesday, November 5
7 p.m., Arts Advisory Board Meeting, Greenbelt Community Center

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Bill Orleans Is Ninth To Declare His Candidacy

Challenger Bill Orleans has submitted the following information concerning his biography for publication in this week’s News Review. His nomination form has been certified by City Clerk Cindy Murray along with those of incumbents Judith Davis, Konrad Herling, Emmett Jordan, Leta Mach, Silke Pope, Edward Putens, Rodney Roberts and challenger Susan Stewart. Biographies of Davis, Putens, Pope, Mach, Herling, Jordan, Roberts and Stewart were published in prior weeks. Their biographies are reprinted in this issue on pages 18, 20 and 21. Biographies are prepared by the candidates.

Bill Orleans is still a jerk; let incumbent council be as honest, if not as accurate, in assessing themselves; let residents of Greenbelt be as honest, if not as accurate, in assessing themselves. Insufficiently humiliated from this exercise two years ago, Orleans is again, indeed a candidate for Greenbelt council. He is serious. He would very much like to be elected to council, where he would hope to help reclaim the practice of democracy in Greenbelt and also where he would hope to help to reclaim the practice of democracy on the transportation planning board (TPB). (If elected he would still challenge to a duel, in Roosevelt Center, any other elected member of council interested in being



Bill Orleans

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39th Council Reviews Its Term at Final Meeting

by Barbara Hopkins

The month of November is one of remembrances and activities in Greenbelt and the agenda for the last meeting of the city’s 39th city council on Monday, October 28 was full of them. First will be Election Day on Tuesday, November 5 when the city will elect its 40th city council. Near the meeting’s end councilmembers had the opportunity to comment on their experiences on council. Councilmember Leta Mach, who began, gave a summary of projects that had taken place during the past two years. She said council could serve as an example of how government bodies could function when they are able to disagree without being disagreeable. Councilmember Silke Pope said she has always tried to do her best, that she is committed to Greenbelt and hopes to serve another term. Councilmember Edward Putens thanked city staff for “making us look good.” He said he is proud of what has been accomplished, even with a reduced budget but he remains

concerned that things are being done as efficiently as possible. An ongoing challenge to unify the community is a concern of Councilmember Konrad Herling. He reminded people that it is important for the citizenry to step up and take part in city life. He recalled “an amazing record of accomplishments” considering recent severe cuts to the budget. Councilmember Rodney Roberts congratulated others on surviving the past two years and expressed how fortunate all were to live here. He wished other councilmembers good luck for the election and the new year. Roberts’ sentiments drew concurrence from Councilmember Emmett Jordan, who also wished luck to others, including candidates not members of the current council. He said he hoped to remain on council, as there is important work to be done. Mayor Judith Davis reiterated Mach’s list of accomplishments, adding also the celebration of the city’s 75th anniversary. She thanked her colleagues and said

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Editorial

You're Invited!

Join your News Review staff at the New Deal Café on Sunday, November 10 from 2 to 5 p.m. for an afternoon of conversation.

We will report that half way through our current fiscal year – with the help you have already given us – our paper is operating in the black by a narrow margin and we want to say thank you for your support.

This month will kick off our continued appeal for voluntary subscriptions – our term for donations. We still need those donations in order to keep moving forward toward financial stability.

Sunday afternoon we'll talk about how our newspaper, published as a free weekly since 1937 as a co-operative enterprise, is operated by volunteers and the need for more volunteer support.

But let's also talk about what really will solve our financial problem – more advertising.

We have some ideas to share with you and hope you will bring a lot of ideas to the table as well. We'll be listening.

As much as we need and appreciate your contributions, think of them as bandages. What the newspaper really needs is to heal the wound.

Letters to the Editor

A Correction

I acknowledge that I may have exceeded 500 words by a few – you caught me; and oh yes, I concede I am grateful for your spell check; and oh no, I disagree with your editing for style and content, neither of which could account for the mangling of my meaning in the third sentence of the second paragraph.

I wrote: "... council has the responsibility of listening to residents more and, itself talking less and more specifically not responding to counter what residents may say."

What was published: "... council has the responsibility of listening to residents more and more talking less and itself specifically not responding to counter what residents may say."

When speaking extemporaneously I sometimes

articulate well and sometimes am barely coherent; when writing I always articulate my intent, which intent was lost in the mangle.

I ask for a corrected answer to the one question in the next paper (October 31).

Bill Orleans

Editors Note: While we did edit the sentence, it did, at the same time, get garbled.

Greenbelt or Graybelt?

Last week, the State Highway Administration (SHA) unearthed a long-lost concept plan to "green up" the streetscape of Greenbelt Road between Route 1 in College Park and NASA ICESat Road (previously Soil Conservation Road). The designer's memo on this project dates back to January 2003.

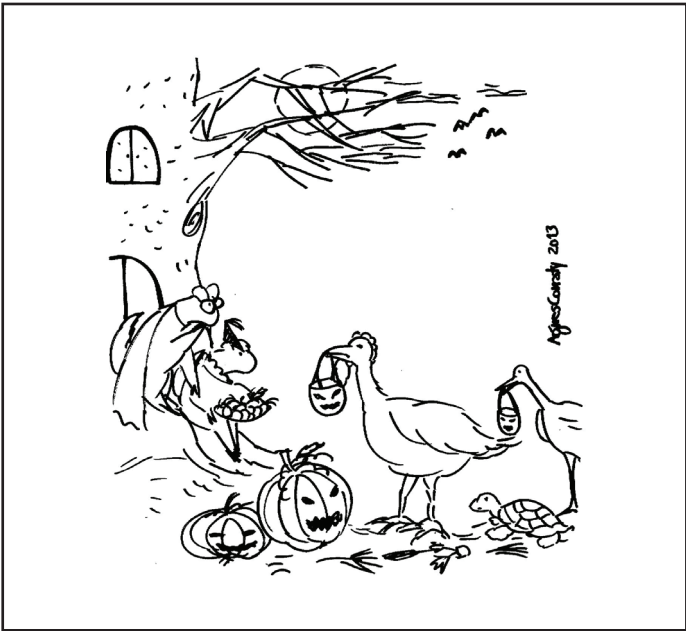
Why is this important? Well, I would argue that Greenbelt has been turning gray around the edges. Our main roads and parking lots have been expanded to the point where the city seems to have more asphalt than greenery! Greenbelt Road between Route 1 and the Kenilworth interchange may be the ugliest, grayest thoroughfare in Maryland. The parking lots are empty moats of nothingness, contributing storm water runoff.

What can be done? After years of devoting most of our highway resources to the InterCounty Connector, the state's transportation budget is starting to improve. SHA is rebuilding the streetscape of Route 201 in Edmonston and Queens Chapel Road in Hyattsville. College Park has won state grants to design bike trails along Route 1 in downtown College Park and has received state funding to complete the College Park trolley trail.

I'd argue that our highest

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Grin Belt



"Trick or treat . . . I'm actually a squirrel dressed up as a turkey"

On Screen

Hijacking at Sea

Opening at Old Greenbelt Theatre on Friday, November 1 is "Captain Phillips," with Tom Hanks as a container ship skipper combatting a takeover in 2009 by a handful of armed Somali fishermen. Allied forces swing into action while Phillips – a real-life figure – angles for means to counter the attackers. Director Paul Greengrass ("Bloody Sunday," "United 93") shakes down the gripping tale from its start on a Somali beach through the intense inner pressures on both kidnappers and ship's crew to the final twists. Note: Most of the cargo was headed for the needy in East Africa.

PG-13, with violence, bloody images and substance use. Running time: 130 minutes.

– Eli Flam

Corrections

Our apologies for misstating the after-school times for Spellman Overpass coverage by the Cookies at the Bridge Project. Volunteers are needed from 3:10 to 3:40 p.m. to greet homebound students with a friendly adult presence. Those who can help are asked to call 301-474-9410 and leave their name and phone number for a return call. Cookies at the Bridge was initiated by Mowatt United Methodist Church.

In last week's article on the October 15 GHI Candidates Forum that started on page 1, in the jump on page13, column 3 in the subhead Bike Access, Michel Cavigelli was misidentified. The News Review regrets the error.

NOTICE TO GHI MEMBERS

PRELIMINARY AGENDA



GDC & GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

Thursday, November 7, 2013
GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 7:30 PM

GDC Key Agenda Items:

- 2014 Operating Budget
- GHI Key Agenda Items:**
 - Yard Line Certifications: 45A & T Ridge Road
 - Review Request from Member of 54D Ridge to Install a Screen Porch Over a Storm Drain
 - Review Request from the Member of 33D Ridge to Extend Handrails to Edge of Roof-top Deck
 - Employee Health Benefit Costs for 2014
 - 2014 Operating Budget, 1st Reading
 - Selection of HVAC Systems to be Installed During Phase 3 of the Pilot Project
 - Tree Maintenance Contract for 2014-2016, 1st Reading
 - Landscape Maintenance Contract for 2014-2016, 1st Reading
 - Custodial Contract for Administration Building for 2014-2016, 1st Reading
 - Pest Control Contract for 2014-2016, 1st Reading
 - Contract for 2013 External Auditing Services, 2nd Reading

Regular Board meetings are open to Members
For more information, visit our website - www.ghi.coop



To request a sign language interpreter for this meeting, go to <http://www.ghi.coop/content/interpreter-request-form>, or go to the GHI Office (One Hamilton Place) or contact us by phone (301-474-4161) or fax (301-474-4006).

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE
WEEK OF NOV. 1

Captain Phillips
(PG-13)

FRIDAY
*5, 7:45

SATURDAY

CLASSIC FILM SERIES
12 Noon
The Fighting 69th

Captain Phillips
*2:15, *5, 7:45

SUNDAY
*2:15, *5, 7:45

MONDAY – THURSDAY
*5, 7:35

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.
OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.

Community Events

At the Library

Tuesday, November 5 at 7 p.m., the African History Culture and Lecture Series continues with Asa Gordon’s presentation “Black Reconstruction: The USCT and Its Legacy of National Redemption and Democracy.”

Storytime

On Thursdays, a librarian reads age-appropriate stories to children and parents using imagination and props. Pick up a free ticket from the information desk before the session.

Thursday, November 7, 10:30 a.m. Drop-in Storytime for ages 2 to 5 years mixes stories with fun activities including songs, rhymes and fingerplays. Babies are also welcome. The usual 20-person room limit applies.

For more information call 301-345-5800, visit the library or the website at pgcmls.info. For automated phone renewal call 301-333-3111.

GHI Notes

Saturday, November 2, 11 a.m., Pre-purchase Orientation – Board Room

Monday, November 4, 2 p.m., Bylaws Task Force Meeting – GHI Library

7 p.m., Member Outreach Committee Meeting – Board Room

Wednesday, November 6, 7 p.m., Board of Directors (Executive Session) – Board Room

Thursday, November 7, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting (Open Session) – Board Room

Friday, November 8, Office Closed – For emergency maintenance call 301-474-6011.

Note: Committee and board meetings are open; members are encouraged to attend.

Del. Washington’s Fall Town Hall Nov. 7

On Thursday, November 7 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. District 22 Maryland Delegate Alonzo T. Washington will hold his fall town hall meeting at Greenbelt Middle School. His primary focus is sounding out his constituents on their priorities for the 2014 Maryland legislative session that starts in January.

In addition to legislative issues, there will be information about upcoming transportation projects, the Purple Line and changes to health care, including a navigator present at the meeting to assist constituents with the new health care exchange.

Greenbelt Middle School is at 6301 Breezewood Drive.

Explorations Covers Pain Management

Friday, November 1 at 1 p.m. Certified Consulting Hypnotist and Instructor Erick Lundin from the College Park Hypnosis Center will conduct a lecture on pain management at Explorations Unlimited in Rm. 114 of the Community Center.

Numerous studies in chronic back pain and cancer patients of chronic pain excluding headache have found hypnosis is usually more effective than non-hypnotic intervention including attention, physical therapy and education. Unrelieved chronic pain is the commonest reason for seeking complementary, alternative medicine. Lundin will talk about the uses of hypnosis for pain control and requirements to obtain it. A general relaxation session will be done so attendees can participate and experience what hypnosis feels like.

For more information call 301-397-2208.

ERHS Fall Concert Will Be Held Nov. 8

The free Fall Concert at Eleanor Roosevelt High School is scheduled for Friday, November 8 at 7:30 p.m. The concert will feature the Concert and Chamber orchestras directed by Dr. David Yarbrough; the Wind Ensemble and the Concert Band directed by Sally Wagner; and the Men’s Ensemble and Gospel Choir directed by Michele Fowlin. The ERHS music program draws students from across northern Prince George’s County. All are invited to attend.

The school is at 7601 Hanover Parkway. For more information call 301-661-9699.

Toastmasters to Meet On Wed., Nov. 6

The next meeting of the Greenbelt Toastmasters Club will be on Wednesday, November 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the Social Hall of Greenbelt Community Church at Hillside and Crescent Roads. The Social Hall is at the rear of the church on the lower level of the main building.

Toastmasters offers professionals, students, stay-at-home parents and retirees a supportive environment to improve skills in communication and leadership. Members learn to lose the fear of public speaking, become better listeners and build skills for success.



Fall back!

Reset your clocks
back one hour
on Sunday at 2 a.m.

Community Garden Club Meets Nov. 13

On Wednesday, November 13 the Greenbelt Community Garden Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 202 at the Community Center.

Members will vote on the club’s Garden Health Guide. There is a link to the document at <http://www.greenbeltcommunitygardenclub.org>. Paper copies will be provided to members who do not have access to a computer.

To obtain a paper copy call Martha Tomecek at 301-614-0691.

Free Program on Singing Bliss

Sunday, Nov. 3,
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Greenbelt Community Center, Room 202
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More Community Events
are located
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Jack Ass: Bad Grandpa, R (!)
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The Chromatics Concert – December 7 – 8
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Trumpet-Piano Concert on Sat.

On Saturday, November 2 at 7:30 p.m. trumpet-player Edward Jakuboski, accompanied by pianist Jessica McKee will present a program of composers Ewazen, Neruda and Rachmaninoff at Berwyn Presbyterian Church. There is free parking and no admission fee, although a free will offering is welcome.



Night of the Broken Glass Program Nov. 9

On Saturday, November 9 at 7 p.m. the Social Action Committee of Mishkan Torah Synagogue will hold a special Café Tzedakah called A Night to Remember to commemorate the 75th anniversary of Kristallnacht’s atrocities.

The Night of the Broken Glass, Kristallnacht was a series of coordinated attacks on Jews and synagogues November 9 and 10, 1938 throughout Nazi Germany and Austria, killing 91 Jews immediately and shipping about 30,000 to concentration camps. It signaled the beginning of the Holocaust.

All are invited to the free program about this tragic and horrible event. The Café Tzedakah will include speakers and performances by the Connections Chorus and Mishkan Torah Education Director and musician Bret Goldstein. Those attending are asked to bring nonperishable food items for donation to the Connections Chorus, a county organization that helps those with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Mishkan Torah is at 10 Ridge Road. For more information call 301-345-8755.

ASG Meets at Owens For Heliophysics Talk

The next meeting of the Astronomical Society of Greenbelt (ASG) will be held on Thursday, November 7 at 7:30 p.m. at the H.B. Owens Science Center.

The speaker will be Associate Director Dr. C. Alex Young of NASA Goddard Space Flight Center’ Heliophysics Science Division, who coordinates the division’s education and public outreach team. He is also the creator and editor-in-chief of the webpage www.TheSunToday.org. Young’s undergraduate degree is from Florida State; he studied high energy astrophysics of cosmic gamma-ray bursts and solar flares at the University of New Hampshire for his graduate degree. All are invited; there is no admission fee.

The H.B. Owens Science Center is at 9601 Greenbelt Road in Lanham.

Community Church Holds Holiday Bazaar

The Community Church Annual Holiday Bazaar and Bake Sale will be held on Saturday, November 9 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

In addition to popular auction baskets, the annual event includes craft tables, a bake sale, Country Cupboard and unique, handcrafted fair trade items from around the world from international nonprofit (formerly Sales Exchange for Refugee Rehabilitation and Vocation). Lunch will be served by the church youth group from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Word has it a special visitor from the North Pole may put in an appearance.

The auction begins at 1 p.m. See ad on page 3.

Explore Zumba Gold Chair November 9

The Explorations Unlimited session on Friday, November 9 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Community Center in Rm. 114, will be a presentation on Zumba by Eileen S. Murray. Zumba Gold Chair, a variation of the Latin-inspired workout, is designed for adults who need to use a chair for extra support or who are wheelchair-bound.

Murray has been teaching Zumba Gold since August 2011. She explains the program is designed for active older adults and de-conditioned exercisers. She says continued participation will improve overall quality of life and increase muscle, heart and lung strength in a safe environment.

For more information call 301-397-2208.

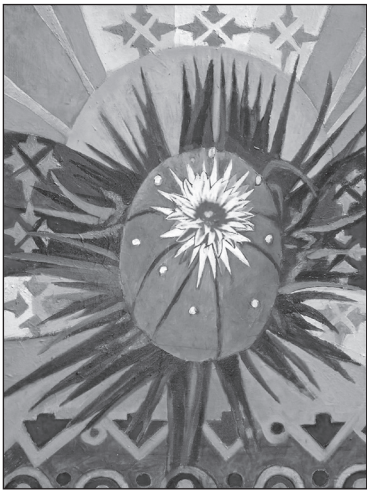
Stevens, Kennedy to Display Art at Café through January 6

From Tuesday, November 5 through Monday, January 6 local artists Barbara Stevens and Dan Kennedy will exhibit their work in the New Deal Café.

On Sunday, November 10 from 7 to 9 p.m. all are invited to a reception for the artists and their works.

Stevens

Stevens says her “Red, Green, Blue Show 2013” has turned out to be kindred to her art from 1968-69. She also says that for a few years she has been experimenting with multimedia and photos of nature. She works with computer programs “collaging,” adding painted areas, going into her older Green Paintings and photos and changing images from everywhere. “These new pieces are colorful



Greenbelter Barbara Steven's stylized flower is a blend of experimentation and mixed media.



PHOTO BY JULIA WADE

Dan Kennedy included this painting in the exhibit.

like the 1960s. I feel I am finding important meanings and connections everywhere, plus this year I made a vow connected to a Peace Memorial Project in Greenbelt to make art with our star.”

Kennedy

Kennedy has been a Greenbelter since 1969 and painting since childhood using media that ranged from crayons

to eventually oil paints. He says his paragon of artistic virtue was American artist Eric Sloane. Kennedy describes his current exhibit as mainly recognizable scenes from Greenbelt and surrounding area, along with some of his three-dimensional artwork.

The New Deal Café art program is sponsored by Friends of New Deal Café Arts.

St. George’s Episcopal Church

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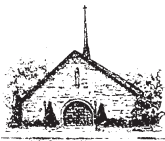
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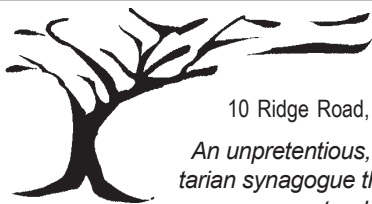
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PRECINCT 6: Greenbelt Police Station, 550 Crescent Road
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PRECINCT 13: Greenbriar Community Center, 7600 Hanover Pkwy.
Emily's Way, Frankfort Ct., Frankfort Dr., Frankfort Pl., 7600-7899 Hanover Parkway, Jacobs Dr., Mandan Rd., Mandan Terr., Morrison Drive, Ora Ct., Sunrise Court, and Wintergreen Ct.

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CITY COUNCIL ELECTION November 5, 2013 SAMPLE BALLOT

MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL (VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN SEVEN)	
SUSAN H. STEWART	<input type="checkbox"/>
SILKE I. POPE	<input type="checkbox"/>
EMMETT V. JORDAN	<input type="checkbox"/>
KONRAD E. HERLING	<input type="checkbox"/>
EDWARD V. J. PUTENS	<input type="checkbox"/>
LETA M. MACH	<input type="checkbox"/>
WILLIAM A. ORLEANS	<input type="checkbox"/>
RODNEY M. ROBERTS	<input type="checkbox"/>
JUDITH F. DAVIS	<input type="checkbox"/>
WRITE IN (7 SPACES PROVIDED)	<input type="checkbox"/>

For more information, call the City Clerk at 301-474-8000.

MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF November 4-8

Tuesday, November 5 at 7pm, **GREENBELT ARTS ADVISORY BOARD** at the Greenbelt Community Center. Info: Nicole DeWald, ndewald@greenbeltmd.gov or 240-542-2057

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.

CITY OF GREENBELT ELECTION INFORMATION

TRANSPORTATION TO POLLING PLACES

On Tuesday, November 5, 2013, the Greenbelt Connection will provide free transportation to polling locations for City voters between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Citizens who wish to avail themselves of this service should call:

GREENBELT CONNECTION: 301-474-4100

to schedule their transportation. In addition, the City bus will make scheduled pick-ups at

GREEN RIDGE HOUSE at 10:30a.m. & 2:30 p.m. and will return to Green Ridge House after the voters have cast their ballots at the Community Center.

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For information call 301-474-8000.

Notice of Unclaimed Funds

The City of Greenbelt is holding \$1,828 collected by a group which existed approximately ten years ago called the Friends of the Greenbelt Theatre. It is believed this group is no longer active. If any member of the original Friends of the Greenbelt Theatre group wants to make claim to these funds, please contact Michael McLaughlin, City Manager, at 301-474-8000 or mmclaughlin@greenbelt-md.gov.

If no one comes forward by November 8, 2013, the City plans to make these funds available to a new group which has an interest in establishing a non-profit to operate the theater. The funds would assist the new group with grant-seeking.

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18 months and Younger-Luca Angeles, 1.5-3 Yrs.-Mariella McElhenny, 3-5 Yrs.-Enzo Johnson, 6-7 Yrs-Kacie Bailey, 8-9 Yrs-Ryley Komisar-Bury, 10-12 Yrs.-Juniper Humphrey, Family Costume: The Novick-Moore Family, Pet Costume: “Nellie”

Photo by Eric Zhang

Request for Proposal Consultant Services for Police Promotional Process

The City of Greenbelt is requesting proposals for consultant services for the purpose of developing and validating a fair and valid promotional program. A Request for Proposal can be downloaded from www.greenbeltmd.gov, or can be obtained by contacting the Personnel Office at 301-345-7203.

AN ARTFUL AFTERNOON

Sunday, November 3, 1-5pm
Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road
GREENBELT DANCES! EXPO Free! All ages!

1-2pm: Performances by alight dance theater and other local artists,
2-4pm: Movement workshops
2-4pm: Sculpture workshop and video art presentation with exhibiting artist Bahar Jalehmahmoudi
4-5pm Community Dance Party
1-4pm Artists in Residence studio open house and sale, plus art and local history exhibits.

Election Polling Locations and Hours

Voting will take place on from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, November 5 at the following polling places:

Precinct 3: Center
Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road

Precinct 6: North End
Greenbelt Police Department, 550 Crescent Road

Precinct 8: Greenbelt West/Franklin Park
Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane

Precinct 13: Greenbelt East – North
Greenbriar Community Building, 7600 Hanover Parkway

Precinct 18: Greenbelt East – South
Turning Point Academy, 7800 Goodluck Road

Questionnaire Presents Four Election Questions

by James Giese

At each election for nearly 50 years the city has put out at the polling places a questionnaire on city services for voters to complete. While not a statistically valid poll, it does give city officials an idea about how voters who complete the questionnaire feel the government is working. The questionnaire is printed on the back page of this newspaper and is also accessible on the city website.

This year, without comment, council has placed in the questionnaire four questions relating to the election of city councilmembers. Since the city election process is spelled out in the city charter, it would be necessary for any change to be made as a charter amendment, a more complicated process than is required to pass an ordinance. The results of the questionnaire would be only advisory to the newly elected council.

Term Limits

The first question asks if council should be subject to term limits. Currently, there is no limit to the number of terms a person can serve and Councilmember Edward Putens has served 16 terms. Those who support term limits contend that incumbents have an advantage over challengers and limits are needed to bring in new people with new ideas. Those who oppose contend that if someone is doing a good job and wants to continue to serve and the voters like the person, why shouldn't the person be eligible to serve again.

Four Year Term

Question 2 asks if council terms should be increased from two to four years. Running for office costs money for election advertising and takes considerable time for those who campaign. In Greenbelt, a lot of the campaigning is done door-to-door. One current councilmember noted that no sooner had he got into the swing of things and began to get his goals accomplished, than it was time to campaign again. However, another councilmember noted that the bi-annual campaigns enabled councilmembers to keep in touch with the concerns of city residents. Another concern expressed about longer terms is that if a "bad apple" is elected, citizens are stuck with the person for twice as long.

Mayoral Election

Question 3 deals with whether or not the mayor should be elected separately from the rest of the council. In mayor-council

cities, the mayor is usually not a member of the council and has executive responsibilities. Greenbelt has a council-manager form of government in which executive/management responsibilities are vested in a professional manager selected by and supervised by the city council. The mayor is a member of the council whose only additional duties are to chair meetings and serve as principal spokesperson for the city. The mayor's vote is no greater than that of any other councilmember. Greenbelt's mayor is, by charter, chosen by the city council, although in some other council-manager cities the mayor is separately elected. By tradition which extends back to the early days of the city, councilmembers have chosen the person receiving the most votes in the last election to serve as mayor. In this process, it is possible for the top vote-getter to decline serving in the office and that apparently did happen one time, but not recently. However, under the current city charter it is possible for a council, for whatever reason, to not select the top vote-getter.

A separate mayoral election would enable the voters to express their will and not rely upon council. There are also those who contend that a top vote-getter for the council might not necessarily be chosen by voters to be the mayor, if a separate election were to be held. The contrary point of view is that if two or more candidates seek the office of mayor, those candidates are then not able to serve as councilmembers, even though voters may prefer them for that job than some of the others running for it.

Recall

The last question asks if there should be a process for recalling a councilmember once elected. In the past 75 years there has never been a time when citizen dissatisfaction with a councilmember was so strong that a recall would have been sought if it were possible. A recall process usually involves holding a special election – an expense to the city and a time consuming process. With two year terms, some believe a recall process is not necessary, but if council terms were longer, then perhaps it might be warranted. Those who support having a recall process contend that if an officeholder does something really bad, there should be a way to get rid of the person.

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Greenbelt's designated member of the TPB; method of engagement of their choice.)

There is some question as to the number of words in his 2011 bio, 1,300 plus or 1,400 plus, but there is no question that number exceeds the News Review's apparently adopted policy that bios this year not exceed 650.

Those were good little stories and that bio was totally revelatory of the development of Orleans' character which simultaneously is serious and playful in pursuing his contribution to the commonweal. He hasn't the inclination or the time to whack 600 or 700 words from it.

Orleans has not been, is not now nor would he be a leader in pursuing the commonweal; his role is more that of laggard, yet directing our attention to both the nakedness of our emperors and to our own hypocrisies in our respective contributions in that pursuit. (Or maybe we just say that we care about this or that or maybe we just don't care at all.)

His 2011 biography, mostly, if metaphorically accurate can be found in some version or another at BillOrleans.com or new and improved at www.greenbeltnmd.gov.

UM Hosts Annual Choir Invitational

The future of choral music is in the spotlight as talented high school choirs from Maryland and Virginia gather for a day of workshops that culminate in a vibrant free evening performance at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 6 in the Dekelboum Concert Hall of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center.

Over the past 11 years, more than 1,800 singers have participated in the invitational, which gives each choir the opportunity to sing for and with a number of talented peer choirs, as well as to work with University of Maryland School of Music choral faculty and choirs. The concert closes with a performance featuring the university's Chamber Singers and the University Chorale. Seating will be on a first-come, first-served basis starting at 7 p.m. For more information, visit claricesmithcenter.umd.edu or call 301-405-2787.

Bach Lunch Concert Offered Downtown

The next concert in the Washington Bach Consort's Noontime Cantata Series will be on Tuesday, November 5 from 12:10 to 1 p.m. at the Church of the Epiphany, 1317 G Street, NW, near Metro Center. The performance will include the cantata "Höchsterwünschtes Freudenfest" (BWV 194) and an organ piece, "Concerto in D Minor after Vivaldi" (BWV 596), with soloist Eric Plutz.

This free series of 50-minute concerts is presented on the first Tuesday of the month in fall and spring. Consort Director J. Reilly Lewis introduces the music before presenting an organ work and one of Bach's cantatas performed by both chorus and period instrument orchestra. For more information, visit bachconsort.org.

Letters to the Editor

priority for state funding should be to rebuild and landscape Greenbelt Road as a "complete" and "green" street, including better sidewalks and pedestrian havens, protected bike lanes (down the middle?) and nice bus stops and pullouts. This would be expensive because to do it right we'd have to bury the power lines. But it would be worth it to remake Greenbelt Road as an attractive place to shop, work and live. Much better than what it is now.

As part of retrofitting Greenbelt Road to modern and green standards, we need to improve access to the Anacostia Tributary trails, which start in Berwyn Heights and at Lake Artemesia. SHA should improve bike and pedestrian access to north College Park by narrowing the lanes on the CSX/Metro bridge and building wider sidewalks.

We could improve bike access to NASA by building a protected two-way bike lane on the north side of Greenbelt Road between Hanover Parkway and the Goddard main entrance just past Cipriano Road. There are many other, smaller projects to "green up" Greenbelt in the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, which was just sent to council. There are tons of possibilities – Greenbelt doesn't need to go gray!

Jeff Lemieux

Disclosures: I'm on the Greenbelt Advisory Planning Board that developed the city's Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan. My wife owns a bike shop in north College Park. There is more information posted on local events where Greenbelters can advocate for green streets and better bike and pedestrian facilities at www.proteusbicycles.com/advocacy.



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she believed all who sat on council had the city’s interests at heart.

She also countered rumors that council was “getting long in the tooth” by noting the importance of experience of knowing the history of issues facing council.

She encouraged eligible voters to make their voices heard. She said it had been rough, with diminishing assessments, to maintain city services and continue providing a standard of benefits to staff, whom she thanked and praised.

Veterans Day

November 11 is Veterans Day when the Greenbelt American Legion Post #136 will hold its annual celebration in Roosevelt Center at 10 a.m., according to Post Commander Mike Moore, who spoke at the meeting. The mayor and the commander will be the main speakers and there will be a bugler and a quartet. After the ceremony, people are invited to the Post home for a buffet lunch.

At 2 p.m. there will be a flag disposal ceremony in the post’s parking lot. Only cotton flags will be disposed of because nylon flags emit toxins during the disposal process. Greenbelters may bring flags for disposal to the Legion post.

Moore added that on Friday, November 1, the Legion will hold its annual firefighter awards banquet and ceremony, distributing four awards for police officer, park police officer, Public Works employee and firefighter of the year beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Recycling Day/Month

November 15 is America Recycles Day to encourage consumers to use recycled products and to educate people about the benefits, both economical and environmental, of recycling and reusing. Davis read a proclamation that was accepted by Ken Hall, head of Public Works, on behalf of the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability and Public Works staff.

Recycling Coordinator Luisa Robles told council the Win with Your Bin contest began that day and will continue for two weeks, after which there will be a drawing from all the addresses with bins filled correctly. There will be one winner from each of the five recycling routes.

Municipal Government Month

The Municipal Government Works flag will be flown outside the Municipal Building all month to honor Municipal Government month. Beverly Palau, public information and communications coordinator for the city, accepted the proclamation from the mayor.

There will be a number of events to display the city government in action. These included a Community Health and Wellness Fair and Walk to School Day, Fall Fest and an on-line quiz highlighting the City of Greenbelt.

Fourth-grade students may participate in the “If I Were Mayor” essay contest, sponsored by the Maryland Municipal League. (See their website at <http://www.mdmunicipal.org/> for more information.)

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single issue of any significance that divides the candidates. Based on information the candidates have provided this newspaper and statements made by the candidates at various meetings (see the summary information on candidates accompanying this article), there may be differences in priorities but not in substance.

On the development scene, the big question is whether or not a new FBI headquarters facility will be located in Greenbelt. There appears to be agreement among all candidates that locating it here would be good for the city and help refill its vacant office space, although both challengers, William Orleans and Susan Stewart, have expressed some reservations. The preferred site of most is the North Core of the Greenbelt Station project, an area which is now the parking lot for the Metro station, although Orleans prefers locating the FBI headquarters in the South Core, a site apparently not being considered by the General Services Administration. Although most councilmembers are not talking about it, there is a possibility that a site in the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) might be chosen. Incumbent Rodney Roberts has expressed his opposition to that location.

During the past year, incumbent councilmembers generally agree on most issues. When there is division, Roberts is the one who most frequently takes exception. Each year he votes against the budget because he feels the tax rate could be lower. However, he could utilize procedural tactics to make it more difficult for the council majority to adopt the budget, but does not.

One controversy during the past year occurred when Roberts began to discuss publicly some confidential information relating to the possible siting of the FBI headquarters on BARC. This led to councilmembers requesting an ordinance be drafted to provide a penalty if a city official or employee reveals confidential information. Opposition to the ordinance drafted by citizens and this newspaper caused the council

to withdraw it from consideration but a new draft was requested in its place. However, without a new ordinance being proposed, this matter has not become an election issue.

Challenger Stewart is a newcomer to the city political scene. Her strongest interest is in environmental issues and based upon her campaign statements any decision made as a councilmember would be based on any possible impacts on the environment. However, all candidates have expressed concern with actions that might harm the environment.

Orleans, who is running for a second time, regularly attends council meetings and frequently criticizes council decisions, often in lengthy speeches. Mayor Davis' efforts to keep the meeting moving have often resulted in clashes with Orleans.

Mayor?

The Greenbelt Charter provides for a council-manager form of government in which the executive duties of the city become the responsibility of the professional city manager selected and supervised by the council. The duties of the mayor are those of the other members of council plus the added responsibilities of chairing council meetings and being a spokesperson for council. The charter provides that the mayor be chosen by a majority of council from its membership. Since the early days of the city, the person chosen as mayor has been the person receiving the highest vote at the last city election. Although the members of council are not obligated to choose the mayor that way, the tradition is so strong that selection of another councilmember would cause a political uproar, unless the top vote-getter declined to serve in that office.

There are some who advocate for a change in the charter on the manner of electing councilmembers and the mayor, but the issue has not been raised by any of the candidates. Davis has served as mayor for the past eight council terms but her total vote margins over Roberts and more recently Emmett

Jordan have been slim and an upset could happen. It would be interesting to see what might happen should Roberts succeed in topping the vote count, as he is the councilmember who most frequently opposes the remainder of council.

Accompanying this article is a summary of information concerning each candidate based upon information provided by each candidate and statements made at candidate forums by the candidates.

Kids’ Art Features Lantern Festival

The November kids’ monthly arts and culture program of the College Park Arts Exchange will focus on the St. Martin’s Day Lantern Festival tradition. It will be held Sunday, November 10 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church, 4512 College Avenue.

Local volunteer Birgit Meade will lead this native German celebration, which involves making beautiful paper lanterns and ends with an outdoor walk at twilight. Due to space limitations, register at info@cpae.org or by calling 301-927-3013.

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Grandson Lincoln

Authority: John Winfrey, Treasurer

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By authority, Trina Coore, Treasure

Animal Control, Storm Water Problems Are Focus of 4 Cities

by Thomas X. White

The quarterly meeting of the councils for Greenbelt, Berwyn Heights, College Park and New Carrollton was held at the Greenbelt Municipal Building on Wednesday, October 23. The agenda included presentations by Adam Ortiz, director of the Prince George’s County Department of Environmental Resources on animal control issues and storm water management and by Prince George’s County Councilmember Eric Olson (District 1) on the development proposal for the University of Maryland golf course.

Also on tap were updates on the potential FBI move to the Greenbelt Metro station site and a Berwyn Heights issue regarding an existing flashing light on Greenbelt Road (Md. 193) adjacent to the Board of Education bus lot. College Park also requested opposition comments regarding the inclusion by the Transportation Planning Board (TPB) of the Washington–Metropolitan Council of Governments (COG) within the Draft Regional Transportation Plan of the construction of I-495 Express Toll Lanes with Rapid Bus Transit in Maryland.

Attendees from the four cities included New Carrollton Mayor Andrew Hanko, Councilmembers Duane Rosenberg and Lincoln Lashley and City Administrator Graham Waters; Berwyn Heights Mayor Cheye Calvo, Councilmembers Patricia Dennison, James Wilkinson and Rose Almoguera and City Administrator Edward Murphy; and College Park Mayor Andrew Fellows, Councilmembers Monroe Dennis and Patrick Wojahn and City Administrator Joseph Nagro.

All members of Greenbelt’s council attended. Mayor Pro-Tem Emmett Jordan presided at the meeting, filling in for Mayor Judith (“J”) Davis who arrived later in the meeting.

Animal Control Issues

Ortiz opened the meeting with a presentation on animal control. He is finishing his first year in a reorganized Prince George’s County Department of Environmental Resources that includes Animal Control and Storm Water Management. At least three of the four cities have an animal control function within their towns, with Greenbelt and College Park both having small shelters.

All the municipalities rely on the Prince George’s County shelter for overflow and at night on weekends. Recently the municipalities have noted concerns about a lack of assistance and cooperation from county animal control personnel and from the facility.

Also of concern was the county facility’s practice of not supporting adoption of animals

arriving at their facility, resulting in an ever-increasing kill-rate when overflow occurs.

Ortiz noted he has addressed these issues since he assumed responsibility for the animal control function. He also is working to provide better management and stronger oversight of the facility.

Unlike other of his county functions, the animal control program is not supported by a fee-based system like the environmental and code functions. Rather, the animal control operations budget solely depends on the county budget.

City officials noted that the kill-rate level at the county facility is a growing impediment for county residents relying upon it for found animals. They also told Ortiz that the situation at the county facility was causing them to take on animal control within their individual jurisdictions and felt they were not getting a fair shake on factoring in the tax differential formula for the animal control function.

Ortiz suggested that his staff meet with municipal officials. He said he would be open to partnerships with each of the municipalities. He is also trying to increase the adoption rate and is considering the possibility of locating a county shelter in the northern part of the county.

Storm Water Management

Ortiz also was asked to provide a report on new fees affecting private residences and businesses based on the amount of impervious surfaces on their properties.

Enacted during the 2013 session of the Maryland General Assembly, the Watershed Protection and Restoration Program (The Clean Water Act Fee) is intended to protect the Chesapeake Bay from harmful water run-off in Prince George’s and other counties.

Ortiz noted the county has established a “Rain-Check” program allowing property owners to receive rebates of fees when they install approved storm water management practices such as cisterns, green roofs, pavement removal, permeable pavement, rain barrels, rain gardens and urban tree canopies. (Further information on the program can be obtained at www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/sites/StormwaterManagement/RainCheck.)

College Park officials wondered how the program would address the emerging “Greenstreets” program they are planning with the support of state grants. Other municipalities indicated similar interests in retrofitting some streets to reduce run-off.

Other Issues

County Councilmember Olson was invited to report on

the development proposal that would utilize about 50 acres of the existing University of Maryland Golf Course on Md. 193 for a “mixed-use” project including a highway connection to the Beltway and I-95. As a leading opponent of the project, Olson was glad to announce that the would-be development firm has cancelled those plans. He said the Greenberg Gibbons firm would look at other locations more suitable to mixed-use development.

Video Program

Also on the agenda was a carryover item from the last Four-Cities Meeting: whether to develop a video program to help convince decision-makers that the North Core of the Greenbelt Metro Station site would be the ideal location for the proposed FBI consolidated facility being considered by the U.S. General Services Administration. Councilmember Konrad Herling said some discussions on developing the video had been held but the project had not progressed. He offered to set a date for representatives of the four cities to try to get the video project underway.

College Park Councilmember Patrick Wojahn raised a concern related to the proposed action by the COG TPB to add I-495 express lanes to the Draft Regional Transportation Priorities Plan. Wojahn and Greenbelt Councilmember Rodney Roberts sit on the TPB and have sought support from the Four-Cities group to oppose the proposal.

The group then determined that member cities should oppose the proposal.

Berwyn Heights

Mayor Cheye Calvo raised another issue relating to a recent decision by the State Highway Administration to disconnect and remove a flashing school zone light on Md. 193 near the Old Greenbelt Middle School. Calvo felt a flashing light should be retained at the location where Berwyn Heights children must cross Md. 193 to get to the new middle school. He asked for the group’s support to oppose this SHA decision which he said is beyond SHA’s jurisdiction.

Some participants asked what had happened to the Greenbelt Road Improvement Project that had been close to being funded by the State. Davis said this funding had been lost when the economy took a dive. She agreed, however, that this project should be resurrected since the State has increased funding for transportation. The project had drawn significant support at the time and would improve Greenbelt Road from Rhode Island Avenue eastward to the NASA facility.



Mayor Judith Davis swears in Greenbelt’s latest police officer, Aaron Davis, who comes to the force from the University of Maryland Police Department. He lives in Bowie and is a graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School. He has completed the University of Maryland’s Police Academy and obtained a bachelor of arts in criminology and criminal justice. He also has a master’s degree in cyber security. While at UM he passed the sergeant’s test and was promoted to sergeant, public information officer. His desire to go back to patrol and law enforcement outside a campus environment led him to Greenbelt.

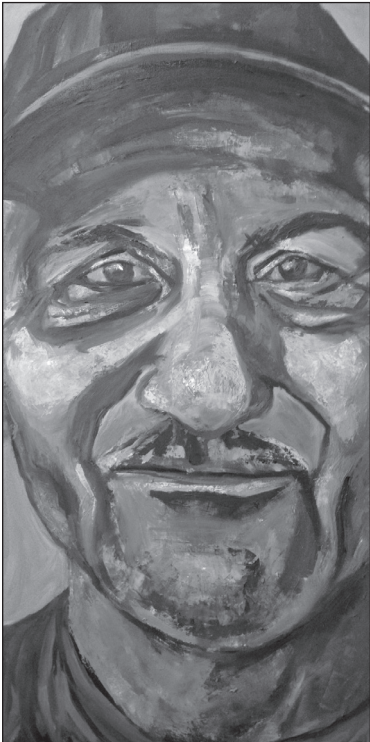
Wang Now Greenbelt's Newest Artist-in-residence

Greenbelt has announced that the newest Community Center Artist-in-residence is Mary E. Wang, an artist who has been exhibiting her work for 30 years.

Wang, a Rockville resident, is a former studio artist with the Hamilton Arts Collective in Baltimore. She obtained her undergraduate degree from the University of California, Davis, and holds a master of arts in education from Johns Hopkins. Her work was previously seen in the Greenbelt Arts Center lobby gallery in a collection called Short Stories.

Wang’s works are drawn from science and she seeks inspiration in the universe around her, saying “My work tends to be figurative with much of it informed by the human body or other animals.” She is currently working on a series of close-up portraits of people from her neighborhood focusing on mood, with soft scrutiny exploring the face, using bold brush strokes and color to evoke expression and strong drama. Wang says she revels in the process of working with the materials to interpret her subject. “Painting is like a conversation – there is a give and take with the materials as well as an increased insight into whatever I am painting.”

Wang has worked as a graphic designer, private art tutor and a special education teacher, which all help shape her view as an artist. She says she will be re-imagining her classical painting skills in her studio here. “My plan is to return to my initial painting roots, exploring [the combination of] paint with other media to develop more abstract and three-dimensional works, while incorporating universal



New Community Center Artist-in-residence Mary Wang’s “Gabe” oil on canvas.

cosmic patterns.” The first studio open house and sale for the Community Center’s newest artist-in-residence will be the artists’ open house at the city’s next Artful Afternoon, which will be Sunday, November 3 starting at 1 p.m.

The Artist-in-residence program, sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department, is a juried program providing affordable, 24-hour studio space to experienced visual artists from the region. The nine participating artists promote creative community-building with annual service projects. Additional information about the program and individual participating artists is available at www.greenbeltnmd.gov/arts.

Wear White At Night

Library Lecture Explores Errors about Civil War

by Charis Pannell

“We must insist on the truth,” said Asa Gordon during his lecture entitled Past Glory, Modern Shame: The Myths/Realities of the Movie Glory. During the lecture on October 22 at the Greenbelt Library, Gordon faulted directors and writers of the film for lying about the realities of the 54th Regiment of Massachusetts, the first military unit comprised of black soldiers who had been raised in the North during the Civil War.

Gordon discussed a scene in Glory in which Denzel Washington’s character talks down to the educated African American soldier who joins the regiment. Gordon said the portrayal is inaccurate and perpetuates an idea that being both African American and educated is shameful.

The 54th Regiment of Massachusetts was, in fact, one of the most literate regiments of the Civil War, Gordon said. To prove this, he showed images of several books written by members of the 54th Regiment and read from letters that spoke of the regiment’s commitment to education.

According to Gordon, one of the books, The Black Phalanx by Joseph T. Wilson, includes a chapter on ways the African American men tried to learn to read and how they embraced education.

Gordon also discussed how the film portrays the means by which African American men secured equal pay during the Civil War. In Glory, Washington’s character gets loud and raucous when he finds out he and the other blacks in the regiment will not be receiving the same pay as white men serving in the military.

In reality, the fight for equal pay was a more sophisticated affair, Gordon said. The men petitioned, wrote letters and fought without receiving equal pay. Gordon said the wives of the African American men wrote letters telling their husbands to refuse pay even though the wives needed the money. Gordon said that the movie also sends a message to African American youth that the way African Americans make change is by making a lot of noise and being rowdy, when that was not always the case.

At the end of the lecture,

UM Jazz Groups Play Two Nights

The public is invited to swing with the University of Maryland’s jazz combos as they play favorite jazz standards and new tunes arranged by jazz students in a two-part free performance on Tuesday and Wednesday, November 5 and 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the Gildenhorn Recital Hall of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. The combos comprise four small jazz ensembles of six or seven music majors, plus the larger Latin Jazz Ensemble.

Seating will be on a first-come, first-served basis starting at 7 p.m. each evening. Visit claricesmithcenter.umd.edu or call 301-405-2787 for more details.

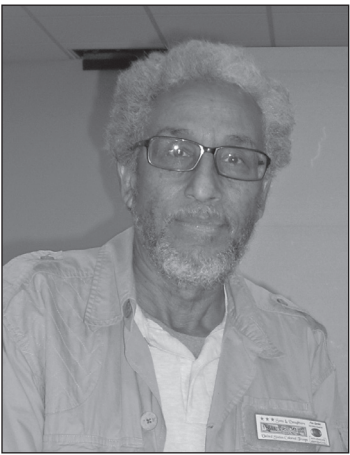


PHOTO BY CHARIS PANNELL

Asa Gordon

the audience clapped and some thanked Gordon for his insight. Audience member George Parson said the lecture was “interesting” and that he learned a lot about the distorted facts concerning the 54th Regiment of Massachusetts in Glory.

Gordon said the director and writers of Glory could have “told the truth and inspired” but instead “told a lie and oppressed.”

The lecture series on African history and culture continues until November 19.



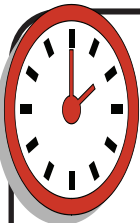
Congratulations to:

– Eleanor Roosevelt High School students Matthias Early, Vishnu Rachakonda and Michael Stevens, who were selected to represent the U.S. at the World Premier International Research Center (IRC) Initiative in Japan. Each auditioned with his own science fair project before a panel of judges. They depart for Japan on December 11 for the weekend IRC initiative conference.

– Captain Ken Silberman, who graduated from Civil Air Patrol Northeast Region Staff College on Saturday, October 26 at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J.

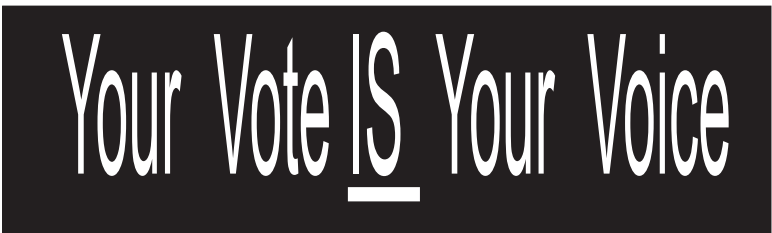
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– Kathleen McFarland



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Re-Elect Rodney Roberts for Greenbelt City Council

Rodney Roberts is an individual who truly gives of himself. We have rarely seen a person give so much of their personal time and effort to help those in his community. He cares about all the inhabitants of Greenbelt; the people, the animals, and the trees.

Donna & Brian Almquist

Rodney Roberts is seriously strong on the environment, practical on fiscal issues, and always pro-Greenbelt.
Susan Barnett

I am grateful for the outstanding service of Rodney Roberts for values I can trust in his unceasing efforts. Rodney is Greenbelt's finest!
Sue Stern

Rodney Roberts takes the time and effort to understand the issues and stands for what he believes is the best for Greenbelters.
Dennis Fincham

Proven, trust-worthy track record, candid, honest and always for protecting Greenbelt's citizens and its environment. Leadership you can count on - vote Rodney Roberts on Nov. 5th!
Cam MacQueen, MSW

In the community struggle to save the woods many of us relied on Rodney Roberts to pack the council chambers. He held no office and acted through his rights as a citizen only. Our community has always valued such involvement when casting votes. A vote for Rodney is my easiest decision on election day in Greenbelt.
John Abell

I will be endorsing Mr. Roberts for his commitment to the Arts, Forest Preserve, his passion for the betterment of Greenbelt and the positive aspects he brings to the community itself.
Michael Smallwood

I am voting for Rodney Roberts as I have in every election in which I was a registered Greenbelt voter. Why? Because he is not a politician. Roberts is unafraid to speak his mind, even when his opinion is unpopular. One dissenter in a group, one voice raising concerns, can be the impetus that allows others to voice issues or dissent that might otherwise go unspoken. Roberts wants a visible government, more transparency, fewer executive sessions and more citizen involvement in important decisions. He votes against excessive spending. He rocks the boat when it's needed and paddles with the others when he feels it's best for Greenbelt. His passion and devotion to this town is undeniable. Rodney Roberts is good for Greenbelt and his presence on Council is vital.
Colette Zanin

We enthusiastically endorse Rodney Roberts for Greenbelt City Council as he has proven to be a fearlessly independent voice on our council and a stalwart advocate for protecting our woodlands and natural environment for future generations of Greenbelt citizens.
Craig Tooley & Terri Rutledge

By authority of Yoni Siegel, Treasurer

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Konrad Herling
Konrad Herling is seeking his sixth term on the Greenbelt council. He is a second-generation Greenbelter and has lived here all but 10 years of his life. A GHI resident, he votes at Greenbelt Center precinct and is a former resident of Springhill Lake. He obtained his bachelor's degree from Towson University in U.S. history and secondary education. Herling is employed as a communications analyst at the Federal Communications Commission.

His accomplishments are: named Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen for his involvement in promoting the arts in Greenbelt, founder of Greenbelt Arts Center, member of the Board of directors of Prince George's County Arts and Humanities Council, former executive committee member of Envision Prince George's County.

Herling's top three priorities are: to create an office of economic development, for more sustainable economic development, to renovate the Greenbelt movie theater and to continue the city's effort to secure the FBI at Greenbelt Station's North Core. He would also like improved transportation with safe access between Greenbelt East and West and greater utilization of existing facilities.

Emmett Jordan
Emmett Jordan is seeking his third term on council. A 15-year resident, he lives in Greenbriar and votes in north Greenbelt East. He has a bachelor's degree from the University of Cincinnati in urban administration and did graduate work in public administration at Seton Hall University. Jordan is an independent contractor providing professional services related to marketing, communications, strategic planning and fiscal development.

His accomplishments are: the first African American elected to the Greenbelt council, a participation in 2009 in the University of Maryland Legacy Leadership Institute on Municipal Government, a graduate of the University of Maryland Academy for Excellence in Local Governance in 2011, a former member of Greenbelt Advisory Planning Board, and a former treasurer and boardmember of Phase I, Greenbriar Condominium Association. He is a member of Transit Riders United, a boardmember of Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Services (GIVES) and a former co-chair of the Greenbelt Tennis Association.

Jordan also is a member of the Association of Fund Raising Professionals and former boardmember of the D.C. Chapter, member of the Human Service Coalition of Prince George's County, former board member and chairman of the Greenbelt Community Foundation and volunteers to help the foundation.

Jordan's three top priorities

are: define the city's economic development goals, streamline city operations and enhance citizen involvement. He also would like to make city government more open and transparent, balance the city's long term needs, moderate expenses and strengthen public safety.

Edward Putens
Edward Putens is the longest serving councilmember – 32 years. He is seeking his 17th term. He is a resident of Greenbelt for 46 years, lives in Greenbrook Estates and votes in southern Greenbelt East. Putens formerly lived in Windsor Green, Charlestowne North and Springhill Lake apartments. He has a bachelor's degree in microbiology from the University of Maryland. Putens holds a management position in the Food and Drug Administration.

His accomplishments: Co-founded the Greenbelt East Advisory Coalition and is a former boardmember of Windsor Green homeowners association, president of the Greenbrook Estates homeowner association and co-authored several patents dealing with minimizing air pollutants.

His three top priorities are: for the city to survive the current financial times, to persuade the FBI to move to Greenbelt in the Greenbelt Metro area and to renovate the Greenbelt theater. He would like also to bring equity between residential and commercial property assessments.

Leta Mach
Leta Mach is seeking her sixth term on council. She has been a resident 39 years, lives in Boxwood Village and votes in the North End precinct. Mach formerly lived in GHI. She has a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University. Formerly she worked as a teacher, an information specialist at GHI and as director of communications and cooperative education at the National Cooperative Business Association.

Mach's accomplishments are: named 2000 Outstanding Citizen for work with city co-ops and support of education and former chair of the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education. She ran a conference on cooperatives and the Living Wage, graduated from the University of Maryland Academy for Excellence in Local Governance, helped obtain Greenbelt's Playful City designation and secure KABOOM! grant money for development of the South Ora Court playground, got the Maryland Municipal League and city to establish geocache trails as a way to promote Maryland cities, and was the former treasurer of Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School, the former president of Greenbelt Center School and Eleanor Roosevelt High School (PTSA), the former chair of the GHI Audit Committee, a former secretary of the board of the Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative

and former boardmember of the Greenbelt Community Foundation and former chair of the Greenbelt 50th Anniversary Oral History Committee. She also wrote a chapter of Greenbelt: History of a New Town and is a former president of the Cooperative Communicators Association, former president of Parent Cooperative Preschools International and received the 1995 national Co-op Month Award for Communications.

Her top three priorities are: to renovate the movie theater, manage the budget and work to bring all areas of Greenbelt into one community. She also would like to improve public safety, continue to work toward cleaning the lake and repairing the dam, implement the bicycle and walking trail plan, get the FBI building in Greenbelt to spur economic growth, promote the geocache trail, see the results of an organizational study being done, bring all of the city into one community, carefully pursuing completion of the good capital projects that need to be done.

William Orleans
William Orleans is making a second try to be elected to council. He is a second generation Greenbelter, having lived here much of his life. Orleans claims to have no fixed address and votes in Greenbelt Center using his former address.

His top three priorities are: To hope to see more participation from residents, more transparency from council and less of an opportunity for commercial property owners to skate on their taxes. Also he would like to make a change in council's membership, opposes a tax rate increase at this time although he sees a need to increase the rate in order to make more staff time available to pursue completion of capital projects, sees need to challenge each appeal of a property tax reassessment upon commercial properties and opposes the proposal to build residential units on the rear of the Beltway Plaza property, and locate the FBI headquarters in the South Core of the Greenbelt Station development – not the North Core or the Agricultural Research Center.

Rodney Roberts
Rodney Roberts is a second generation Greenbelter who has lived here all his life. He is a resident of GHI and votes at Greenbelt Center. Roberts is a graduate of the National Technical Institute, College Park.

He is seeking his 12th term on council.

His three top priorities are: increase the size our police patrol squads and provide police patrols at whatever size is necessary to protect our neighborhoods and recreation areas, move forward with the plan to expand Springhill Lake Recreation Center and defeat once and for all the proposed "secrecy" law. Also he would like to maximize the utilization of existing commercial

space, wants to make sure that every capital project is a quality project done at reasonable cost, considers the FBI headquarters coming to Greenbelt as a positive thing.

His accomplishments are: has never missed attending a city council meeting; provides professional assistance to groups such as Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service; donated over 100 hours to help the New Deal Café install a commercial kitchen; proposed and supported implementation of a community policing program involving bicycle and foot patrols; led a citizen movement that resulted in the city acquiring 184 acre "Green Belt;" advocated city enactment of an ordinance establishing a 225-acre forest preserve; testified before state Board of Public Works on behalf of city's successful efforts to obtain \$684,000 in Open Space Funds to purchase the 10-acre "Sunrise" property.

Judith Davis
Judith Davis is seeking her 11th council term and has served as mayor for 16 years. She has been a resident of Greenbriar for 38 years and votes in north Greenbelt East. She has a master's degree from West Chester State University in West Chester, Penn. Davis retired as sixth-grade teacher in 1999.

Her accomplishments are: former member and chair of Greenbelt Advisory Planning Board, former boardmember of Greenbriar Condominium Association, Phase 1, former carnival chair of Labor Day Festival Committee, served on a project design committee that established Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service of which she is a charter member and former boardmember, former board chair and president of Metropolitan-Washington Council of Governments, immediate past-president of Maryland Municipal League and a boardmember, graduate of Academy for Excellence in Local Governance of the University of Maryland, recipient of the Elizabeth and David Scull Public Service Award, recipient of the Greenbelt Green Man Award, selected as Woman of the Year 2000-01 by the Business and Professional Women, USA; and recipient of Outstanding Leadership and Service in Politics award by the Minority Affairs Committee of the Prince George's Educators Association.

Her top three priorities are: Address aging infrastructure, attract quality businesses to fill vacant office space and continue to enhance connectivity and communication throughout Greenbelt. Also would like to continue to provide the same amount of services residents seek even though property assessments are down and obtain the new FBI headquarters facility in Greenbelt, which should spur economic development.

Trade Candy Treats For Dental Goodies
In a novel approach to doing good supporting troops and "recycling" kids' excess trick-or-treat candy, College Park Dental will exchange Halloween candy for dental goody bags. The office is located at 7305 Baltimore Avenue

On Monday, November 4 during regular hours (7 a.m. to 4 p.m.) children accompanied by an adult may bring their unopened candy to trade for a goody bag with toothbrush, toothpaste, floss, information on dental care and other gifts. Each exchange will also be matched by donation of dental supplies to troops through Operation Gratitude.

Operation Gratitude sends over 100,000 care packages filled with snacks, entertainment items, health supplies and letters of appreciation to service members as well as their children and to veterans, first responders, wounded soldiers and their caregivers.

For more information call College Park Dental at 301-927-2500 or visit the website at www.collegeparkdental.net.

Upcoming Events At New Deal Café
Thursday, October 31 from noon to 2 p.m. pianist Amy C. Kraft plays midday melodies, followed in the evening with a Samhain celebration with the Greentop Ramblers from 7 to 9 p.m.

Friday, November 1 begins with John Guernsey playing classical and jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m., then the Bumper Jacksons with hot jazz, ragtime and pre-war country from 8 to 11 p.m.

On Saturday, November 2 the TV John Show is from 11 a.m. to noon. Bruce Kritt plays classical guitar from 4 to 6 p.m., with Guernsey on up-tempo jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m., then Built 4 Comfort headlining with blues, R & B and classic rock from 8 to 11 p.m.

Sunday, November 3 from 10:30 a.m. to noon is the weekly deaf brunch discussion. Lonesome Pine Bluegrass Band will perform traditional and original bluegrass from 5 to 8 p.m.

Next Week
On Tuesday, November 5 Ruthie & the Wranglers host the New Old Jamboree from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, November 6 Izzy and the Catastrophics play rock n' roll, swing and surf music from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, November 7 Kraft plays midday melodies from noon to 2 p.m. There will be an open microphone session with Paige Powell from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, November 8 Guernsey plays classical and jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m., then Bud Skeleton headlines with an eclectic mix of rock and blues from 8 to 11 p.m.

Saturday, November 9 Kritt plays classical guitar from 4 to 6 p.m., Guernsey up-tempo jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The Joy Bodycomb Band takes the stage with blues, rock, and country from 8 to 11 p.m. On Sunday, November 10 the weekly deaf brunch discussion is held from 10:30 a.m. to noon. There will be an informative News Review fundraiser from 2 to 5 p.m. That evening from 7 to 9 p.m. there will be an Artists Reception for the Barbara Stevens and Dan Kennedy art on display at the Café through January 6.



November Artful Afternoon Offers Is Greenbelt Dances!, Sculpture

The next Artful Afternoon is set for Sunday, November 3 from 1 to 5 p.m. It's to be the annual Greenbelt Dances! Expo with dance performances by youth and adult dancers along with other programs. Most programs are free and family-friendly.

The dance performances will be from 1 to 2 p.m.

From 2 to 4 p.m. movement and sculpture workshops for all ages will be offered, with a series of dance workshops for swing, hip hop and ballet.

There will be movement-based video art screening in the gallery with works by Bahar Jalenahmahmovdi whose sculpture and photography explore themes of freedom and containment, the expectations of women and the experience of cultural displacement. Jalenahmahmovdi uses clothing, domestic artifacts, pantyhose and wax to create darkly curious, poignant works suggesting the costs of "keeping it together." The exhibit is open daily through November 29.

A community dance party will be held from 4 to 5 p.m. All are invited to put on their dancing shoes and head to the gym to show off moves already known and those learned during the workshop. Light refreshments will be provided.

Prior to the dance party a drawing will be held to select a winner of two tickets to a Greenbelt Arts Center performance of the winner's choice. Enter the drawing online until 3:30 p.m. November 3 at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3CBS9S7> or in the Community Center Art Gallery.

The Greenbelt Museum current exhibit is an interactive timeline, "Greenbelt: The First 75 Years," displayed at the Community Center. Across the street at the museum's historic house at 10-B Crescent tours for a nominal fee are available from 1 to 5 p.m.

Free Tavern Games At Laurel Library

On Monday, November 4 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. there will be a free series of tavern games for all ages available at the Maryland City Russett Branch Library, 3501 Russett Common, Laurel. Game night is sponsored by the library and staff from the Montpelier Mansion Historic Site.

There will be costumed interpreters and popular 18th-century games will be played, including Buck and Shut-the-Box. There will also be live period music by Bedlam. Participants are invited to come dressed in colonial-style clothes and to learn an old English country dance. Light refreshments will be served; reservations are not needed.

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Left to right are Alight Theater dancers Magdalen Sanguino, Michelle Cardoso and Monica Warren.

The regular artist-in-residence open house and sale will be held, along with the chance to meet and greet local artists including the Community Center's newest Artist-in-residence Mary E. Wang.

Artful Afternoons are a free monthly program of the Greenbelt Recreation Department held on

the first Sunday of each month for all ages at the Community Center. For more information about city art programs, visit <http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts> or call 240-542-2062. Arts programs are sponsored in part by the Maryland State Arts Council.



Re-Elect

SILKE POPE

for City Council

By Authority of: Mary Hatcher, Treasurer

Why is Greenbelt Great? Because we have dedicated leaders in our community who lead the way every day.

I deeply appreciate the endorsement of the following neighbors and leaders of Greenbelt, as I appreciate their many contributions to our city over the years.

With my thanks, and my promise to serve Greenbelt with the same dedication,

Susan Stewart



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Susan Stewart for Greenbelt City Council

By authority of Barbara Stevens, Treasurer

Magnolia Students Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month

Magnolia Elementary School wrapped up its celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month with a festive celebration on October 11.

During a ceremony Jessy Mejia Campos presented the school with a State of Maryland Proclamation from Governor Martin O’Malley in recognition of the celebration. The event featured a cultural fashion show representing various Latino countries including the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Mexico.

There were also musical tributes by the Magnolia chorus and first-grade musical ensemble, along with a special musical presentation by Hector Aguiniga from the Prince George’s County Public Schools International Student Office.

Students were treated to special presentations by Introduction to Spanish students and the Magnolia Step Team. Students also shared Hispanic Heritage music projects. Class music projects focused on famous Hispanic/Latino artists. Student music projects were displayed throughout the school.

Vocal music teacher Jan’es Canty coordinated the Magnolia program.



Pre-kindergarteners through grade six participating students include, first row, left to right, Emily Castro and Joselyn Castro, Mexico; Charlotte Suazo, Honduras; Gisselle Guzman, Mexico; Julio Perez Sosa, Guatemala; and Jonathon Robles and Christopher Robles, Mexico. Back row Emily Meija, Mexico; Keila Moreira, El Salvador; Sabrina Elias and Juliana Monroy, Dominican Republic; Henry Suazo, Honduras; Mariela Morataya, El Salvador; and Eduardo Castro and Christopher Barcenas, Mexico.



Mother Maria Hernandez and daughter Eliania Hernandez pose in native clothing of El Salvador.

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Christopher Barcenas and Gisselle Guzman show festive costumes from Mexico.

2013 Taste of Laurel To Be Held Sunday

This year’s 6th Annual Taste of Laurel will be held on Sunday, November 3 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. It starts at the Laurel Museum, 817 Main Street and progresses to participating food establishments and restaurants. Admission requires a canned or dry food donation per family. Food donations go to the Laurel Advocacy and Referral Food Pantry (LARS).

Participating food providers include the Curry Leaf, Double Dipper, Toucan Taco, Julie’s Funnel Cakes and Fruit Punch and Copy Cat Cakes.

A list of LARS-desired food donations is at <http://bit.ly/TdKhuw>.

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Re-Elect Rodney Roberts for Greenbelt City Council

On the 10 Year Anniversary of the Greenbelt Forest Preserve, I would be most honored and eager to point out the one individual who gave more of himself to bring about this monumental occasion by miles and miles as Rodney Roberts. Council Member Roberts has broadened his passion for the woods by becoming an independent, outspoken advocate for preserving all of the different and wonderful qualities of Greenbelt, as only a lifelong resident can.

Paul Downs, President of the Committee to Save the Greenbelt

As a resident of Greenbelt East, it's been my experience that Rodney Roberts listens to and works on behalf of all parts of Greenbelt. I highly recommend Rodney Roberts for another term as Greenbelt City Council Member.

Gena Wilson, LCSW-C

Rodney threw his pro-bono support and expertise into installing the New Deal Café commercial kitchen. Without his confidence and community commitment I don’t know where we would be and I will always support him for that and his other good work in the community and on the council!

Peter I. May, Ph.D.

I fully support Rodney Roberts to continue on as a member of the Greenbelt City Council. Rather than sticking to a platform, he listens fully to people's opinions and is engaged in the conversation, not fearing to change an opinion or compromise when the need is apparent. However, compromise only comes when it is the best for the community more than for individuals or for the nature of politics. I appreciate that about him.

Melissa R'kingsley

I have always voted for Rodney Roberts with enthusiasm. I feel that it is more important than ever to support Rodney Roberts - now and going into the future. He has a proven track record of protecting our forests and commons, improving public transportation, reducing our dependence on cars, and so much more. Rodney has shown that he is willing and able to protect, defend and improve our community and land, and fend off crazy road-building schemes. He never rests - and that's why we need him to carry on.

Diana McFadden

We endorse Rodney Roberts for re-election to city council. Mr. Roberts has been a tireless advocate, and more, for protecting our wild and open spaces in Greenbelt, which is a matter we hold dear.

Gina Mai Denn & John Cooper

I applaud Rodney Roberts for representing the citizens of Greenbelt by fighting for the preservation of our forests, parks, playgrounds and open spaces. He also has not hesitated to question some proposed projects which may not be beneficial to Greenbelt's citizens in terms of their necessity or sustainability in today's economy.

Bob Snyder

We support Rodney because Rodney supports the Woods!
Dorian Winterfeld, Amethyst Dwyer

By authority of Yoni Siegel, Treasurer



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Walking the Greenbelt Lake path shows creepy creations from a Lakeside family. The giant jack-o'-lantern is "Double Boo at Greenbelt Lake." The top of the pumpkin spookily rises up to reveal a small interior ghost, wearing the pumpkin top for a hat.

VA Hospital Artwork at Patuxent Gallery

During November the Hollingsworth Art Gallery at the National Wildlife Visitor Center will display the work of artists enrolled in Walter Reed Recreation Program activities at the Veterans Affairs (VA) Medical Center.

On Saturday, November 9 from noon to 2 p.m. the artists

or their representatives will meet gallery visitors at a free reception.

More information about gallery artists is available at <http://www.fws.gov/northeast/patuxent/vcgallery.html>.

The gallery is off Powder Mill Road at 10901 Scarlett Tanager Loop in Laurel.

Weight Loss Surgery Seminar at Hospital

On Monday, November 4 a free weight loss surgery seminar for those at least 30 pounds overweight will be held at the Doctors Community Hospital Professional Office Building ground floor conference room. Registration is required; call Ruth Bernard at 240-542-3441.



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Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department,
<http://www.greenbeltnmd.gov/police/index.htm>, link in left frame
to "Weekly Report" or http://www.greenbeltnmd.gov/police/weekly_report.pdf.
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Robbery

October 18, 8:46 a.m., Buddy Attick Park. A man tackled another man from behind while he was walking on the lake trail near Lastner Lane and took his green shower-type bag. The robber fled on foot. The person robbed was not injured.

Arrest

October 16, 3:49 a.m., 6200 block Springhill Court. An 18-year-old Greenbelt man was arrested and charged with first degree assault and second degree assault after he allegedly pushed and kicked a person several times during a verbal dispute. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner. The injured person was taken to Doctor's Community Hospital for treatment.

Theft

October 16, 7:30 p.m., Lakeside Drive. A purple Schwinn brand lady's bicycle was taken from a backyard.

October 17, 7:43 p.m., Greenway Center. A man realized he had lost his credit card and then discovered unknown person(s) had made several unauthorized purchases with it.

October 22, 5:17 p.m., 7500 block Greenbrook Drive. Two men approached another man and one man asked to borrow the latter's cell phone to make a call. He made two calls and then ran away with the phone, as did the person with him.

October 22, 8:06 p.m., 9300 block Edmonston Road. A woman was behind the Springhill Lake Recreation Center when a person, possibly a male, grabbed her purse from her grasp and fled on foot.

October 23, 2:44 p.m., 6460 Capitol Drive. A woman fled

the T.G.I.Friday's Restaurant without paying her bill after her credit card was declined. She is described as a black woman, 5'7" tall, 130 pounds, with black hair, wearing a white shirt and black sweat pants. She fled in a car described as a dark grey Nissan Sentra, Maryland tags EGG710.

Burglary

October 19, 5:30 p.m., 6200 block Springhill Court. Handbags and a laptop computer were taken. Entry was gained by breaking out the sliding glass door.

October 20, 5:11 p.m., 200 block Lakeside Drive. An attempted burglary occurred when entry was attempted but not gained. Unknown person(s) tampered with the front door lock assembly.

October 21, 2:11 p.m., Lakeside Drive. A person at home heard a knock on the door and a short time later heard the front door open. He then saw a man walk into his bedroom and ask for directions. He then picked up jewelry from the room and fled on foot. The man chased the robber and saw him get into an awaiting car, described as a dark-colored sedan, and flee. The robber is described as a black man in his thirties, approximately 6' tall

with a slim build, wearing jeans.

October 21, 5:22 p.m., 7100 block Mathew Street. A purse was taken. Entry was possibly gained by way of a locked window.

DWI/DUI

Six people were arrested in separate incidents and charged with multiple alcohol-related violations within city limits. They were released on citations pending trial.

Vehicle Crime

A silver 1999 Plymouth Voyager with Md. tags 7AK5016 was stolen from the 6200 block of Springhill Court.

A 2012 Range Rover SUV reported stolen by the Chesterfield County, Va., Sheriff's Department was recovered in the 7800 block of Walker Drive. Several stolen registration stickers were found inside the vehicle. No arrests were made.

A 2007 Toyota Corolla reported stolen to the Metro Transit police was found in the 5700 block of Greenbelt Metro Drive. No arrests were made.

Theft from autos occurred at Buddy Attick Park (purse was taken after the passenger window was broken out) and in the 9100 block of Edmonston Road (notebook computer and camera equipment).

The Department is offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a suspect in any of the unsolved crimes reported in the blotter. Call 1-866-411-TIPS. People may anonymously report suspected drug activity by calling the Drug Tip Line at 240-542-2145.

City Purchases License Tag Reader, Fuel Storage Tank

by Barbara Hopkins

The Greenbelt City Council introduced several resolutions at its meeting on October 28. A resolution to authorize in retrospect the purchase of a mobile license tag reader from ELSAG North America for \$18,150 was introduced for second reading and was unanimously adopted. The unit, purchased already, is now in use. It automatically reads license plates and gives an audio alarm if a violation is associated with the plate. The unit is expected to increase parking enforcement activity by 20 percent each year.

Bill Orleans asked council how often staff makes a purchase prior to passage of a resolution authorizing it and City Manager Michael McLaughlin said this was the first time in his recollection that the situation had occurred. He cited staff error as the cause.

Fuel Storage Tanks

Introduced for first reading by Councilmember Silke Pope was a resolution to negotiate the purchase of a new 10,000-gallon above-ground split fuel tank (for gasoline and diesel fuel) at the Public Works facility. This tank, serving the entire city fleet of vehicles, will replace a 6,000-gallon above-ground tank installed in 1992, which will be removed as part of the proposal.

The resolution included the removal of a 10,000-gallon underground fuel storage tank at the police station. State requirements for underground tanks are becoming more stringent and it is problematic that compliance standards can be reached for this tank. It has also been cited for non-compliance with the State Oil Control Program.

The initial estimate for this work was \$213,000 and that amount has been included in the FY 2014 Capital Projects Fund. Director of Public Works Ken Hall reviewed the proposal and was able to decrease the cost by

adjusting the amount of work and having the city provide in-kind services for some of it, thereby decreasing the estimate to \$169,000. Hall then obtained two more proposals for the revised project, with the lowest quote of \$132,974 from Capitol Petroleum Equipment in Beltsville.

Staff has then met with this firm and is satisfied it can complete the project successfully. Mayor Judith Davis asked the city manager for a report on the environmental safeguards required for removal of such tanks when the resolution comes before the next council for second reading and adoption.

ACT Charter Updates

Also presented for first reading by Councilmember Edward Putens was a resolution to update the charter of the Advisory Committee on Trees (ACT) to reflect its current duties. ACT now works with city staff on the care, preservation, maintenance and disposition of trees and shrubs on public grounds instead of providing an annual update to the written plan for their care and preservation. Should an unusual event or situation arise, ACT will submit a report to council offering a solution to the problem.

HEAL Program

A Healthy Eating Active Living (HEAL) Cities and Towns Campaign has been proposed by the Maryland Municipal League and the Institute for Public Health Innovation in response to the significant rise in obesity rates.

Its goal is to build a framework for creating a community where people can make healthier choices about food and exercise.

The next meeting, the first for the city's 40th council, will be a special meeting. All resolutions introduced for first reading will come then before council for second reading and adoption at council's next regular meeting on November 25.

Vote for City Council on Tuesday, November 5 and Re-elect Leta Mach

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✓ Respect the Past

Greenbelt's beginnings as a planned community serve as our guide when we make decisions today. The recommendations of the Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan and Sustainability Plan are examples and I will work to see these implemented.

I will also monitor School Board proposals for historic Greenbelt Middle School and seek ways its use can benefit everyone. Renovation of the movie theater is a key item on my agenda for both its historic nature and its ability to enhance our economic outlook.

✓ Build the Future

Our future depends on people. Soon we will have new citizens moving into the city due to development in Greenbelt West. The success of any development – whether short-term from housing in the South Core of Metroland or long-term from a possible FBI move to Greenbelt – depends upon how involved in Greenbelt life our new citizens become. We must work to bring all areas of Greenbelt into one community. We must promote Greenbelt organizations, businesses, and services throughout the city and welcome new residents with open arms.

Visit my web site, <http://www.themachs.net> to learn more.

Big Halloween Parade Draws Kids, Pets, Families

by Stephen Waldron

Roosevelt Center was overrun with superheroes, ninjas and wizards on October 25, all hoping to win a prize at the annual Halloween costume parade.

Over 200 residents signed up free of charge to walk in the parade, according to Kayode Lewis of the Greenbelt Recreation Department. Lewis said that including the spectators, around 350 people crowded into the plaza.

Several city council candidates were in attendance, mingling with the community before the upcoming election. The event was sponsored by the Recreation Department, as well as the Greenbelt City Council.

Children lined up eagerly according to age group. Once the parade began, Greenbelt Recreation staff led each group around the perimeter of the center. But kids were not the only ones wearing costumes. Some families made group outfits and several pets were in costume.

Local businesses set up tables along the parade route. The owners of Green Stems and the New Deal Café, among others, used the parade an opportunity to meet the community and hand out treats.

Janel Arias who works at Maria’s Beauty Shop gives out candy every year but had trouble choosing a favorite costume in this parade.

“There have been so many good ones, it’s hard to say,” Arias said, “but I really liked the ‘Despicable Me’ minions and the Beatles family.”

The Beatles in question were members of the Ehrenreich family and the costumes were a group effort by Jeremy Ehrenreich, his wife and children.

Parade spectators could buy hot cocoa and cider, as well as pastries. Halloween-themed music also echoed around the Center throughout the event.

At the end of the route, parade participants lined up to be judged. Mayor Judith Davis, Councilmember Ed Putens and 2013 Miss Greenbelt winner Sarah Larkin were tasked with judging the best costumes.

The line stretched from in front of the Old Greenbelt Theatre down the block past Maria’s Beauty Shop. Families gathered in the middle of Roosevelt Center afterward to hear the results.

Awards were given to the best costume in each age group, from infants to 12-year-olds. There were also awards for the best family and pet costumes.

“This was one of the toughest contests I’ve ever seen,” Mayor Davis said, “especially the families.”

In the 18 months and under category, Luca Angeles won for her baby-Viking costume. Mariella McElhenny, dressed as Medusa, won in the 1.5 to 3 years of age group. The award for ages 3 to 5 went to Enzo Johnson, who came as a mail carrier. In the age 6 to 7 group, Kacie Bailey – dressed as a Greenbelt recycling bin – took home the honors. Ryley Komisar-Bury, who came as a Dalek from the “Doctor Who” television series, won the award in the age 8 to 9 category. In the age 10 to



PHOTO BY STEPHEN WALDRON

The many winners of the Best Costume awards at this year’s Halloween Costume Parade gather to celebrate their victory. Greenbelt children, parents in tow, dressed up to celebrate and parade at Roosevelt Center October 25.

12 group, Juniper Humphrey, who wore a Storm Giant costume, came out on top.

“Best Family Costume” honors went to the Novick-Moore family, who paraded as characters from Alice in Wonderland – the Mad Hatter, a blue caterpillar, a White Rabbit and a Cheshire Cat.

Not all awards went to two-legged humans – tiny Nellie, a dog dressed as the Statue of Liberty, won for “Best Pet

Costume.”

Shortly after the parade, Michael Rosman performed his comedy juggling routine. Many stayed to see Rosman’s act, which included juggling fake knives and telling jokes to the crowd.

Award-winners shook hands with the mayor and Putens and gathered to take pictures and enjoy the rest of the day’s festivities.


Needleart Exhibit Opens with Reception

The 2013 Needleart Exhibition at Montpelier Mansion Historic Site, which is sponsored by Stitching Pretty of Laurel, will be on display from Saturday, November 2 through December 1. This year’s theme is “A Walk Down Memory Lane,” featuring needlework pieces that include beading, knitting, smocking, crochet, embroidery and cutwork.

There will be a free opening reception with refreshments Friday, November 1 from 3 to 7 p.m. That event offers an opportunity to see the exhibition without charge.

It can be seen daily from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. for an admission fee, except on Thanksgiving. The admission fee includes a tour of the historic house. There are also demonstrations of various needle art techniques and by vendors of needleart supplies and jewelry.

Montpelier, a Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning facility, is at 8650 Muirkirk Road in Laurel.



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Nine Contenders Discuss Issues at Third Candidates Forum

by Stephen Waldron

The people of Greenbelt got a chance to meet the candidates for city council on October 22 when the third Candidates Forum was held at Green Ridge House. The election will be held on November 5 and early voting has already begun.

The event was sponsored by the Green Ridge House Residents' Association. The association's president, Patricia Unger, served as the forum moderator.

Most audience members were residents of Green Ridge House and about 15 people attended.

Following introductions from each candidate, Greenbelt's current mayor, Judith "J" Davis, began the proceedings.

Davis, who is seeking her 11th term, emphasized the importance of marketing and promoting the city as a destination. She also said that she wanted to focus more on park maintenance and mentioned specifically dredging lakes in Greenbelt.

Councilmember Konrad Herling used his opening remarks to talk about how the city can become more economically sustainable. He also suggested forming a committee specifically to promote inclusion and diversity in Greenbelt.

Councilmember Emmett Jordan is running for his third term and told attendees that Greenbelt has to expand its tax base. He also said that it will be important for Greenbelt to attract new businesses.

Councilmember Leta Mach has served for 10 years and praised Greenbelt for encouraging residents to be active members of the community. She also said that if reelected, she hopes to focus on the renovation of the Old Greenbelt Theatre.

Bill Orleans, the first challenger of the evening, seemed more aggressive than his opponents. He said that he believes Greenbelt has a lot of problems and that some of them can be traced back to council.

Councilmember Silke Pope, like Jordan, is seeking her third term. She disagreed with Orleans and said that the council tries very hard to hear people's concerns and act on them. Pope also encouraged the community to communicate openly with the council and tell them what they want to see in Greenbelt.

Councilmember Ed Putens is the longest-serving member of the council and is running for a 17th term. He said that they welcome ideas from the public but they have to find the money to make them happen. Putens also reminded residents that the council is there to help them.

"You are our bosses," Putens said. "Every two years, we come up for a performance evaluation."

Councilmember Rodney Roberts used his opening remarks to describe growing up in Greenbelt and said he is passionate about the city. Roberts has served on the council for 22 years.

Susan Stewart is making her first bid for city council. She told attendees that she is a stay-



PHOTO BY STEPHEN WALDRON

City Council candidates take questions from the audience at the Candidates Forum at Green Ridge House October 22. From left: Mayor Judith Davis, Councilmembers Konrad Herling, Leta Mach, Rodney Roberts, challengers Bill Orleans and Susan Stewart and Councilmember Emmett Jordan. Councilmembers Silke Pope and Ed Putens are not shown.

at-home mom who is passionate about environmental activism and hopes to bring that attitude to the council.

The forum provided audience members a chance to question the candidates. The first question regarded the proposal to build a second dog park in the city. The speaker does not drive and cannot reach the existing park in Greenbelt East.

Pope said that she thought building a second dog park was a good idea but the council would need to find adequate space. Herling echoed Pope and said that location was the most important factor.

Jordan suggested a shuttle bus to transport dog owners to Greenbelt East. He emphasized that a solution is needed that works for residents in every part of town.

Orleans added that he thought the council should have built a second park a long time ago, and said that he believes the council does not act on requests from the community.

Davis responded to Orleans and argued that the council does take action when asked by the community. "Just because your specific action hasn't been acted on," Davis said, "doesn't mean we do nothing."

Putens said that the park hasn't been built because the money isn't there. He said, however, that the council should continue exploring options for the park.

Stewart suggested developing a "greenway" or pathway around town that could provide services like a dog park, as well as other amenities.

Another attendee was concerned that too much business development could harm the image of Greenbelt's downtown. He asked council to keep these businesses on the outskirts of the city.

Stewart agreed and added that Greenbelt's downtown is the reason she loves the city. She suggested that businesses could be revitalized by repairing public transit which would also reduce the city's carbon footprint.

Davis said that the city does not use the downtown center very efficiently and that council needs to develop a plan to reinvigorate the area.

Jordan noted that the council must be very intentional about what it does and that business development should be done in an environmentally-friendly way.

Roberts said that the city

is doing its part to create jobs, adding that Greenbelt has a strong foundation for development that other cities do not have.

Mach agreed that the downtown center is an asset to the city and welcoming new Greenbelt residents could encourage development. "What we want for those new citizens," Mach said,

"is the Greenbelt spirit."

Herling said that business development will require a comprehensive approach and noted that some downtown businesses are "on the cusp of making it or not making it." He suggested the city appoint an Economic Development director to address this issue.

The third question from

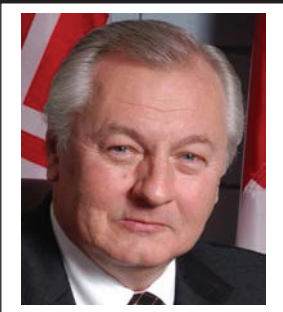
the audience related to why the Metro bus did not run in Greenbelt on Sundays. Davis said the issue has been difficult to resolve but the council will continue to work on it.

"Sunday service has always been the hardest nut to crack," Davis said.

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THIS Tuesday November 5

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- 4. Continue our successful efforts to drive crime down.**
- 5. While the budget problem persists, sustain the quality of City services & preserve jobs of City employees.**
- 6. Improve responsiveness to community issues and complaints, including the unresolved issues over the community gardens and unlicensed housing rentals.**

Greenbelt's accomplishments were made possible by your support. We succeed by working together as an united city. Please help again by voting in this election.

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Authority: John Winfrey, Treasurer

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Orleans suggested that the speaker contact the Prince George’s County executive, because funds for bus service are dealt with on the county level.

Another person asked a question specifically of Stewart, “Why do you want to replace an incumbent when you support many of the same things?” Stewart said she is running because she wants to get things done. She said she aims to incorporate green ideas to improve the community economically and environmentally.

These questions were followed by closing statements from each candidate, beginning with Stewart, reiterating that she wants to make sure that everyone in Greenbelt has a high quality of life. She believes this can be best achieved by improving the environment. She also urged residents to communicate with her on the issues they care about.

Roberts closed by saying that if Greenbelters continue to speak up about what is important to them, they can work together to improve the city.

Putens reiterated that projects may need to be put on hold for financial reasons. He said that Greenbelt must make sure to take care of specific parts of its population.

“We need to take care of our young people and elderly and people in the middle will have to pay for it” Putens said. “That’s the way it’s always been.”

Pope promised residents that she would always do her best to improve Greenbelt and said that she is dedicated to the community.

Orleans closed with remarks targeting current members of council. He said that he would not speak in “platitudes” as he believed the other candidates had done. This comment received a negative response from members of council as well as some in the audience.

Mach told the public that if she is re-elected, she promises to listen to their concerns. She said that they can learn from each other and move forward.

Jordan emphasized that progress takes vision and hard work and said that he wants to continue serving the town.

“Everyone’s entitled to their views,” Jordan said, “but I back it up.”

Herling said more can be done to encourage diversity and that it is an issue he wants to continue working on if re-elected. He suggested creating an international festival to celebrate different cultures within Greenbelt.

In her closing remarks, Davis said that she listens to constituents and that the council is hardworking. She emphasized the importance of working together and learning from one another, rather than starting arguments over issues.

“I enjoy representing my city,” Davis said, “because it has given me so much.”

The forum concluded with refreshments provided by Green Ridge House. During this time the candidates stayed and mingled with the public as well as listening to their concerns.



PHOTO BY JENNIFER STERLING

Mayor Judith Davis presents Director of Public Works Ken Hall with the proclamation naming November 15 Recycling Day and November Recycling Month in Greenbelt at the city council meeting on October 28.

WHY I’M STANDING FOR A SEAT ON COUNCIL by Bill Orleans

So long ago as to be nearly pre-history for some residents of Greenbelt who will vote on Tuesday; so long ago that the children of those residents, children, now, say, 16 or 17 who could be voting themselves on Tuesday were they residents of Takoma Park, even the children, 16 or 17, of non-citizen resident parents of Takoma Park; so long ago as to forget that fascism, high stakes, was alive and well in the United States, but not so well that an aroused American people could endure and which aroused American people made clear that their leader, popularly re-elected just months earlier, must go.

GREENBELT COUNCIL

On August 9, 1974, President Richard M. Nixon resigned and much like Franklin Roosevelt, said to have saved capitalism in the US, Richard Nixon saved fascism.

Before we, in our larger number, vote on Tuesday every Greenbelter should look at the video of the regular city council meeting of October 14, 2013, read the approved minutes of that meeting and then again look at the video of the regular meeting of October 28, and then decide if we can endure for another two years (they want to make it a four-year term), a council so thoroughly and morally bankrupt as was Richard Nixon when he looked into the eye of every American and said, “The people have a right to know if their president is a crook, well, I’m not a crook.”

For some years I have been aware that I have become something I would have not thought possible: I have become an old fart. Not railing against these kids today or more so even, these adults today, but railing instead against the latent fascism in us all. Is there one among us who has not yielded to the temptation to join in the disdain of one or more of the other; who does not seek personal gratification in lieu of the public interest; who does

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not willingly consume our daily dose of prescribed conformity? Preserving the fruit of our revolutionary heritage is just too much trouble, our individual responsibilities just too many, our individual amusements just too important.

We are a silly species. We have such capacity to learn and observe critically our world, within and beyond, and also to do well by one another and, distressingly in my view, so many, if not most of us waste our capacity to do either, often doing the opposite, willfully certain of whatever is our extant knowledge, and gleefully ignorant of the pain resulting from the inequity and injustice all about us.

I would not be running for council if Greenbelt elected the mayor and council separately (which is a change we should make); I would instead be running for mayor. Since my chance to be elected to council is slim, although I do not preclude its possibility, why would I engage in an exercise in which winning would be that much more difficult?

The mayor in Greenbelt (and similar council-manager municipal governments) in addition to being ceremonially our ‘head of state,’ presides at meetings setting the tone in town. An assertive council could prevent any mayor from the misuse of such limited authorities but, sadly, in the 10 years of my return and the more than nine years of close observation of council this incumbent council is but acquiescent to the mayor’s inclinations. Were I running for mayor, it would be to argue for a more assertive council, one which would rally itself and residents to more participation in town and a council more willing to hear from rather than pontificate to us.

A contest as to which is the preferable presiding mode won’t occur, however, we don’t elect our mayor as such; I won’t be mayor (nor would I be). An

NOW NEAR HELLISH

individual member of council, however, even by and large this council could effect change, which, since, regrettably, there are only two challengers, can only be incremental.

NEEDS MORE LEAVEN

Voting residents should vote tactically. Unless we really, really like one or more of the incumbent seven, we should not vote them just because they’re there on the ballot. As I failed in my hope and my goal from two years ago, that many would challenge for council, I have failed since Labor Day to see mobilized a coordinated write-in campaign. Absent such coordination, we can still write in names of Greenbelt folks we know who are well intentioned. They won’t be elected, but the greater number of write-ins for people we would want elected is a denial of votes by default to incumbents we would not. I can hope, in voting for both challengers (or at least Susan Stewart) and only the incumbents we really, really like, those for whom we are at best ambivalent will see different numbers election night and the balance on council including who would receive the most votes could change council and Greenbelt for the better.

(I would really, really like to argue against the thought that because we like someone that is sufficient reason to vote for them should they seek election. My mother for the most part was a good woman. I liked her as well as loved her. Were she alive today and running this year for council I would not vote for her. I knew and would know now her predisposition to conform to prevalent opinion. Council is a political body, Greenbelt’s political voice; how individual members vote is how we should hold them, individually, accountable. If members of council are unwilling to differentiate themselves from popular opinion, why have council at all?)

CHANGE LIKE HEAVENISH

Candidates and supporters are admonished not to attack others in Greenbelt’s elections. What distinguishes an attack from a critique? I believe in being civil always. I would be civil with Satan if I had the occasion. I would never want to be rude. I believe also in the contention of ideas and in sometimes being impolite; without such contention democracy will wither and die. I have seen the death of a viable labor union, won after a nearly 100-year struggle, because most of the membership either was wholly supportive, without question of the elected leadership of the local, which leadership betrayed that trust or were too cool, too hip or too distanced from the unreality of normal conformity to care about the history and the struggle; the union was lost. (The rest of us engaged in constructive contentious criticism of the leadership and of the membership and ultimately, those of us who could, retired from the effort, went on to better things, upper middle class or rich white kids, leftys of all sort and ultimately no sort and we also helped kill the union.) A living democracy, dead, the result of penny-ante fascism.

VOTE FOR CANDIDATE #7

“Don’t vote, it only encourages the bastards,” while a funny line, is too cynical for me, I’ve seen its effect and know that cynicism is Satan’s wit.

In Greenbelt, as elsewhere, we must contemplate the distinction between the substantive and the superficial. A critique of candidate X as a dissembling, obsequious, platitudinous candidate for council is different than calling that same candidate a lying, gladhanding, cliché spewing SOB or DOB.

Greenbelt’s incumbent council is not democratic or transparent, nor does it believe in diversity or practice it, nor does it exercise wise oversight of senior staff or wisely guard city resources. Incumbent council (102 years of incumbency) is clubbish, vain, superficial, self-serving, condescending and dishonest. It should in its whole be rejected by the people of Greenbelt it ill serves, but of course, at best, 5 of the 7 will remain November 5.

WRITE IN YOUR NEIGHBOR

By authority of Treasurer R. Snyder

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Candidate Biographies Demonstrate Wealth of Experience, Commitment

The following biographies were previously published in the News Review but are reprinted for the reader's convenience in advance of the city council election on Tuesday.



Judith F. Davis

Judith F. “J” Davis is in her tenth term on the Greenbelt City Council. Currently, Davis serves as mayor, a position she has held since 1997. Prior to her election to the city council in 1993, she was appointed to the city’s Advisory Planning Board (APB) for 10 years and was elected chair by its members from 1988 to 1992. Davis represents the council on the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area Board of Directors. Davis moved to Greenbelt in 1975 and soon became active in local affairs. As a condominium owner in Greenbriar, she was elected to the Greenbriar Phase 1 Board of Directors, serving for 14 years. She was Carnival Chair for the Labor Day Festival Committee for 18 years. In 1995, Davis was on the Project Design Committee that led to the formation of GIVES, the Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service, of which she is a charter member. She served on its board as vice president for nine years. Davis has honed her leadership skills and expanded her experience and effectiveness by serving in many roles. As mayor, she is the council’s representative to the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) Board of Directors. In 2005, she was elected chair of the COG board for a one-year term. In 2010, she also served as its corporate president. Davis is a member of COG’s Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee, on which she has served since its inception, and its Pension Plan Administrative Committee. In the past, she served on COG’s Budget/Finance Committee, Ad Hoc Elected Officials’ Green Building Committee and Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee. Davis is a member of the Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Policy Steering Committee for the National League of Cities (NLC), having

first been appointed in 2005. Due to her focus on environmental issues, she has brought back innovative ideas and best practices to be incorporated by the city. She successfully urged Greenbelt’s registration in the Sustainable Maryland Certified Program and serves on its Mayors’ Advisory Council as a Founding Mayor. Davis is currently the immediate past president of the Maryland Municipal League after serving as president, president elect and is completing her 11th term on its Board of Directors. In addition, Davis is a past president of the Maryland Mayors Association, the Prince George’s County Municipal Association (PGCMA) and the Prince George’s Elected Municipal Women. Davis served nine years on PGCMA’s Board of Directors advocating Greenbelt’s positions at the county level. In 2002, Davis became a Graduate Fellow of the Academy for Excellence in Local Governance established by the Institute for Government Service. Appointed by Governor Martin O’Malley, Davis represented the Maryland Municipal League on the Blue Ribbon Commission on Maryland Transportation Funding. In 2011, Davis was presented COG’s highest honor, the Elizabeth and David Scull Metropolitan Public Service Award. For her environmental work, Davis was given the Greenbelt Green Man Award in 2010. She was selected Woman of the Year 2000-2001 by the Business and Professional Women/USA. She is also a recipient of an award for Outstanding Leadership and Service in Politics by the Minority Affairs Committee of Prince George’s County Educators Association (PGCEA). Davis retired in 1999 after 30 years as a sixth grade teacher at Gaywood Elementary School in Seabrook Md. An educator for 35 years, she holds bachelor’s and master’s degrees from West Chester State University, West Chester Pa. Davis is an active member of many civic organizations, including Greenbelt Arts Center, Friends of the Greenbelt Museum, Greenbelt Golden Age Club and Greenbelt Lions. She is also a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Friends of the National Zoo, Sierra Club and Purple Line Now. In her spare time, she enjoys skiing with her significant other, Neil, attending Washington Opera performances and walking on the beach with her two nieces, Jessica and Felice.



Edward Putens

Edward Putens is completing his 16th term on the Greenbelt City Council. Putens has been a resident of Greenbelt for 46 years, starting in Springhill Lake. He has also lived in Charlestowne North, Windsor Green and most recently Greenbrook Estates. He was born in Hazelton, Pa, and grew up in Baltimore. Putens has been employed by the federal government for 41 years and has received many awards and commendations. He has worked for the Food and Drug Administration for the past 26 years, mostly in high management positions. He previously served in management positions at three other federal agencies. Putens has taken a leading role in improving police protection and crime prevention. He has for many years advocated the revitalization of Springhill Lake, now called Franklin Park, and other property west of Kenilworth Avenue, in part to improve public safety. Council earlier supported his initiative to use video cameras in strategic areas in the city and to place two School Resource Officers in Greenbelt schools for security, and he has successfully proposed traffic safety improvements. Putens has taken a leading role on senior citizen concerns and initiated a Senior Task Force, which led to establishment of the permanent Senior Citizen Advisory Committee. He proposed the city’s Public Safety Advisory Committee, as well as the Advisory Committee on Education (ACE). Putens also successfully initiated the Four Cities Coalition among Greenbelt, College Park, New Carrollton, and Berwyn Heights, to expand inter-city cooperation on issues and projects of common concern. Putens was the first resident of Greenbelt East elected to the council, and has worked actively with the Greenbelt East Advisory Committee (GEAC), of which he was a co-founder. He was an original member of the Windsor Green Board of Directors, and served on its board for eight years. He has been the president of Greenbrook Estates for the past 13 years. While on the council, Putens has served on numerous county, state and national committees to represent Greenbelt’s interests. He is the past chair of the Small Cities Council of the National League of Cities (NLC), and has also served on numerous other NLC committees. He is also a member of the regional Washington Metropolitan Council

of Governments (COG), Prince George’s County Municipal Association and the Maryland Municipal League. Putens is a graduate of the University of Maryland, where he earned his degree in Microbiology and was a member of the university’s lacrosse team. After college, he was employed in various research capacities for medical and research development companies and co-authored several patents dealing with minimizing air pollutants. of responsibility within large international institutions focused on finance and account services. Since being elected to council in 2009, Pope has been a member of the Prince George’s County Municipal Association, Prince George’s Elected Municipal Women, Maryland Municipal League (MML), National League of Cities (NLC) and the Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments. She served on the NLC Small Cities Council Steering Committee and NLC Public Safety and Crime Prevention Steering Committee. Pope has earned a fellowship from the Academy for Excellence in Local Governance at the University of Maryland. This fellowship provides her with a more thorough understanding of how local municipalities function and a stronger understanding of governmental policy and ethics. Pope is also the liaison to the City of Greenbelt’s Senior Citizen Advisory Committee. Raised in a small German town, Silke Pope brings to Greenbelt familiar small-town values of community with the professional and social experience that comes from living and working in diverse cultures. She has taken on numerous volunteer roles and accrued accomplishments in Greenbelt over the past 15 years. Vying for a third term on city council, Silke Pope – born in Germany – came to Greenbelt 15 years ago. Initially living in Springhill Lake, (now Franklin Park), Pope was quickly taken with Greenbelt’s welcoming spirit and rich tradition of community. Pope served on the city’s Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) for nine years, chairing the committee for six years until she was elected to council in 2009. During her tenure leading the PSAC the city saw real improvements in safety including the upgrade of security cameras at Roosevelt Center and their installation on the Spellman Overpass, as well as emergency call boxes on Metro Drive and in the Franklin Park area. Pope has been a strong supporter of our police department and places a strong emphasis on all public safety initiatives. Even before proudly earning U.S. citizenship in 2006, Pope had been active in the American Legion Auxiliary where she served as president for two years. She continues to be involved in community fundraising for the American Legion Auxiliary. A member of St. Hugh of Grenoble Church since 2000, Pope has been involved in numerous fundraising efforts, her most notable being the annual Oktoberfest where she serves as head chef. She has served as president of the Belle Point Homeowners’ Association since 2006, where her family has resided since 2003. Pope worked with underserved children during her time at Greenbelt Middle School from 2001 to 2009 and Springhill Lake Elementary School from 2009 to present. She worked first as a parent liaison and most recently as an educator. When still in Germany, Pope worked in the field of international business relations, where she used her bilingual ability and organizational skills. Her prior professional experience includes positions




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Leta Mach

Leta Mach and her husband Darrell moved to Greenbelt in 1974. They have two married children -- Ryan and Amy -- and four granddaughters, Anna, Alexa, Piper and Amelia. Mach was first elected to the Greenbelt City Council in 2003 and is completing her fifth term. She has served on numerous local and national committees to represent the City of Greenbelt, including the National League of Cities Human Development Steering Committee. This year she is serving on the Maryland Municipal League Convention Planning Committee and last year served as chair of the Maryland Municipal League Communications Committee. She is secretary of the Prince George’s Elected Municipal Women. At the Washington Council of Governments and its affiliates, she serves as chair of the Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee and is the immediate past chair of Clean Air Partners. She is council liaison to the city’s Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) and the Park and Recreation Advisory Board.



Mark Your Calendars for

An Afternoon

with the

News Review Staff

at the New Deal Cafe

Sunday, November 10

2 to 5 p.m.

State Agency Offers
Q & A on Insurance

On Monday, November 4 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., trained staff from the Maryland Insurance Administration will provide consumer materials and answer insurance questions at the Community Outreach program held at the District Court of Maryland, 4990 Rhode Island Avenue in Hyattsville. Another program will also be available that day from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Prince George’s County Library New Carrollton branch, 7414 Riverdale Road, New Carrollton. Tuesday, November 5 it will be available from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Prince George’s County Library Largo Branch, 9601 Capital Lane in Largo.

The Insurance Administration is the state agency that regulates all types of insurance from annuities to title insurance and health, auto and homeowners insurance.

Additional outreach programs will be held on Wednesday, November 6 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Prince George’s County Library Laurel Branch, 507 Seventh Street, Laurel and on Thursday, November 7 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Laurel Regional Career Center, 312 Marshall Ave, Laurel.

More information is available at www.mdinsurance.state.md.us.



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Re-Elect
Silke Pope

Working to Make a Difference in Our Community



If re-elected, I will continue to work to:

- ◇ Ensure the renovations of the historic Greenbelt Theatre are completed in a timely manner and the Buddy Attick Lake dredging and dam repairs stay on schedule.
- ◇ Preserve community services and programs by carefully managing our budget.
- ◇ Support seniors through services such as “aging-in-place” and wellness programs.
- ◇ Improve public safety by ensuring our Police Department has the equipment they need to do their jobs well.
- ◇ Improve pedestrian safety and provide safe routes to school by installing more traffic calming devices, speed cameras, and improved crosswalks.
- ◇ Protect our environmental resources and green spaces.
- ◇ Welcome smart growth and encourage the City to utilize an economic development advisor.
- ◇ Ensure the City pursues implementation of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan which will provide safe, city-wide bike lanes and safer crosswalks.

Dedicated to Greenbelt’s Community and Future

By Authority of: Mary Hatcher, Treasurer

Re-Elect Judith F. ‘J’ Davis

30 Years of Dedicated Service!



“Many challenges lie ahead for our City. I believe I am well-suited to help turn them into opportunities. To keep me working for you, I need your vote!”

J’s Service...

20 Years on Council, the last 16 years as Mayor

10 Years on the Advisory Planning Board (APB) prior to election to Council

Past President of Maryland Municipal League, Maryland Mayors Association, Prince George's County Municipal Association, Prince George's Elected Municipal Women

Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG), Past Chair, Board of Directors, Past Corporate President

COG Chesapeake Bay Policy Committee, Past Vice Chair

National League of Cities, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Steering Committee

Member: GIVES, Greenbelt Arts Center, Greenbelt Lions, American Legion Auxiliary, Past Carnival Chair, Labor Day Festival Committee

J’s Goals...

Ensure our police officers have up-to-date equipment and superior training

Balance budgetary restraint with maintaining programs and resources that are unique to Greenbelt

Build Council consensus on crucial issues facing the City, including sound Greenbelt West development

Protect our priceless Green Belt including BARC and Greenbelt Park

Restore Greenbelt Lake; employ latest stream restoration techniques in its watershed

Advocate for enhanced teen and senior programs

Ensure funding for inspection, repair, and replacement of the City's vital infrastructure

Maintain our productive ties with County, State and Regional leaders

Always Committed to Community!

Questions? Concerns? Contact J at Citizens4J@aol.com or visit our website at www.citizens4jdavis.org

By Authority: Debbie Cooley, Treasurer

Photos by Barry Bordas



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She previously served as council liaison to the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee.

She served as chair of ACE since its inception until her election to council, helping to guide the development of ACE programs for the benefit of Greenbelt's schools. As ACE chair and councilmember she pushed for a new Greenbelt Middle School, which opened last year.

She believes strongly in the value of education and the ability of cooperatives to enhance people's lives. She once ran a conference on cooperatives and the Living Wage and as a councilmember pushed the city to establish a Living Wage policy. As a new member of council in 2003, she enrolled in and subsequently became a graduate of the Academy for Excellence in Local Governance.

Her efforts helped ensure Greenbelt's 2007 Playful City charter designation and its renewal every year since. The program recognizes and promotes health and fitness for the young and not so young throughout the city. She also helped secure KaBoom grant money available to Playful Cities for the South Ora Court playground.

Alert to opportunities and partnerships, she also suggested the Maryland Municipal League adopt the MML Geocache Trail. This high-tech treasure hunt brings people from around the country to find the city's geocache and promotes and markets the city at virtually no cost.

In 2000, Mach was honored as Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen. This recognition followed years of community service in a variety of positions with many different community organizations. Through the years, she served as treasurer of the Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School; PTA President of both Greenbelt Elementary School and Eleanor Roosevelt High School; News Review reporter, copy editor and proofreader; volunteer for the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee; chair of the GHI Audit Committee and secretary of the board of the Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative. Mach is a past board member of the Greenbelt Community Foundation.

For Greenbelt's 50th anniversary, she chaired the Greenbelt Oral History Committee that collected video oral histories. She also participated in the book project by writing chapter two of Greenbelt: History of a New Town. She has also been a museum docent.

Beyond Greenbelt, she is the past president of both the Cooperative Communicators Association and Parent Cooperative Preschools International. She has received many awards including the 1995 national Co-op Month Award for Communications.

Her work experience includes teaching social studies at Suitland Senior High School from 1969 to 1973, serving as the Information Specialist at Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) from 1981 to 1987 and from 1987 to 2003 working at National Cooperative Business Association (NCBA) as director of communications and cooperative education.

Mach grew up in a military family. While she was in high school, her father was stationed in Washington, D.C., and she graduated from a Prince George's County school – Bladensburg. In 1969, she received a bachelor's degree with honors with a major in history and a minor in English and education from Michigan State University.



Konrad Herling

Konrad Herling, a lifelong Greenbelt resident, is running for re-election to the Greenbelt City Council. He has served on the City Council since 2003.

Herling, who served previously as council's liaison to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, currently serves as council's liaison to the Arts Advisory Board. He also serves as liaison to Greenbelt Access Television and the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability. He serves on the National League of Cities Transportation Infrastructure Committee which has been a major proponent of reinvesting federal funding in the country's infrastructure and transportation systems.

Herling has contributed to efforts to improve the arts, transportation and overall planning throughout the County, State and country. Founder of the Greenbelt Arts Center, he serves on the Board of Directors of the Prince George's County's Arts & Humanities Council, which helps fund arts organizations.

Additionally, he served on the executive committee of Envision Prince George's which identified major concerns to be addressed by the county. He serves as secretary of the Prince George's County Municipal Association and served as one of Greenbelt's representatives to the county's Green Tax Credit Task Force. This task force was created to shape legislation to provide tax credits to attract environmental incubator businesses to locate in Prince George's County and provide incentives for existing businesses to deploy best environmental practices. Legislation derived from the task force's report is now before the County Council.

He has served as Greenbelt's representative on the Metropolitan Washington Council of Government's (COG) Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee, which is COG's policy adviser on climate change, energy, green building, electric vehicles and recycling.

Herling's volunteer activities, include producing a New Year's program and an international cultural festival, organizing the

Greenbelt Arts Center, writing articles for the News Review and interviewing community leaders for Greenbelt Access Television. As a member of the Community Relations Advisory Board in 2001, he helped develop the city's Community Pledge which urges citizens to treat all with respect and to celebrate Greenbelt's diversity.

Herling, a graduate of Towson University, with a B.A. in U.S. History and Secondary Education, is a communications analyst with the Federal Communications Commission for whom he has worked since 1977. He also worked two summers with the Public Works Department as part of the city's summer employment program in 1970 and 1973. He has lived most of his life in an original Greenbelt home but also lived six years in Franklin Park, formerly known as Springhill Lake, where he served as vice president of its civic association.



Emmett Jordan

Emmett V. Jordan is a two-term member of City Council, currently serving as mayor pro tem. He seeks re-election to continue his work on behalf of the citizens of Greenbelt.

Jordan relocated to the area in 1998 to work with the University of Maryland. He decided to move to Greenbelt (Greenbriar Condominiums) because of its access to transportation, recreational amenities, shopping and its park-like atmosphere.

In 2009 he became the first African-American elected to City Council in Greenbelt's then 72 year history.

A native of Cincinnati, he studied liberal arts and music at Morehouse College and at the University of Cincinnati, where he earned a bachelor of science in urban administration from the College of Design Art, Architecture and Planning. He has completed additional graduate work in Public Administration at Seton Hall University.

Jordan participated in the University of Maryland Legacy Leadership Institute on Municipal Government in 2009 and completed the University of Maryland Academy of Excellence in Local Governance training certificate program in 2011.

In his professional life, Jordan has worked for a wide variety of nonprofit organizations, including the Smithsonian Institution, University of Maryland at College Park and the United Negro College Fund. Since 2005 he has run his own business as an independent contractor, providing professional services related to marketing, communications, strategic planning and fund development.

Jordan's career has

encompassed more than 25 years of experience managing projects and coordinating volunteer boards for nonprofits and associations. He was a member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals (a nonprofit industry trade organization) for more than 2 decades, serving on the Washington, D.C. chapter board from 2004 to 2008.

Jordan is the son of an educator and a social service administrator. He was raised in the progressive tradition of the Unitarian Church. He attends Reid Temple AME Church occasionally, and he actively supports community events and fund-raisers for local congregations of all denominations in Greenbelt.

Jordan is a member of the Human Service Coalition of Prince George's County and is a frequent participant in Maryland Association of Nonprofit Organizations and the Center for Nonprofit Advancement programs.

Jordan has served as liaison to the Advisory Planning Board, Community Relations Advisory Board and Greenbelt Access Television. He represents Greenbelt on committees including the Maryland Municipal League Legislative Committee, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Transportation Planning Board and the National League of Cities Community and Economic Development Steering Committee. He is the current vice president of the Prince George's County Municipal Association.

Jordan finished a four-year term on the Greenbelt Community Foundation board in 2010, having served as chairman for two years. He continues to volunteer his time and expertise with GCF, teaching grant-writing workshops to community members on a regular basis.

He also is a member and advocate for Transit Riders United of Greenbelt and a board member of Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service and a former co-chair of the Greenbelt Tennis Association.

He is the current president of the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club and has represented the 22nd Legislative District on the Maryland Democratic Central Committee since 2011. He worked as a Prince George's County Election Judge (in College Park) from 2004 to 2008.

Prior to 2009 Jordan was a member of the city's Advisory Planning Board where he spearheaded the efforts to update the city's bicycle and pedestrian plan. He served on his home owner's association board, Phase I of Greenbriar Condominium Association, for five years, including two terms as treasurer.

An energetic 56-year-old, Emmett enjoys attending concerts, art exhibits and cultural programs. His favorite pastimes include playing the guitar and spending time outdoors around Greenbelt playing tennis or bicycling.



Rodney Roberts

Rodney Roberts, 55 years old, is a life-long Greenbelt resident, who lives with his wife, Tara. He attended Prince George's County schools and was active in sports with the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club.

A 1975 graduate of the National Technical Institute, College Park, Roberts is the sole proprietor of a small business that specializes in on-site repairs of various types of equipment and vehicles (celebrating 15 years in business).

Roberts is serving his 11th term on council. He attended nearly every council meeting during the four years prior to his being elected to council in 1991, becoming known as an outspoken and effective community activist. During his 22 years on council, Roberts has never missed a council meeting.

Roberts often volunteers his professional skills to groups such as Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service (GIVES) as well as to individuals in need. When the New Deal Café was in danger of closing, Roberts donated over 100 hours of his time working with a small group of volunteers to install a commercial kitchen. The Café was able to install a state-of-the-art commercial kitchen for less than \$30,000, a savings of more than \$70,000, giving the Café a new lease on life. It is now a thriving part of Roosevelt Center.

In 1991 Roberts proposed and worked through to implementation, a community policing program that included the city's first police bicycle patrols. Since then, he has continued to advocate for more bicycle and foot patrols throughout the city and to use police substations in Greenbelt East and Beltway Plaza.

Roberts was a leader in the citizen movement that resulted in the city's acquisition of 184 acres of woodland that had been part of the original "Green Belt."

Roberts' continued advocacy resulted in the 2003 passage of a city ordinance establishing a Greenbelt Forest Preserve consisting initially of 225 acres.

Roberts testifies on behalf of the city before state and county officials concerning

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development, transportation, recreation, environmental and fiscal issues. In 2004 he testified before the State Board of Public Works (consisting of the comptroller, governor and treasurer). Overcoming initial opposition from Comptroller William D. Schaefer and Governor Robert L. Ehrlich, he secured \$648,000 in Open Space Funds for the purchase of 10 acres known as the “Sunrise Property” in Greenbelt East, one of Greenbelt’s newest forest preserves. Roberts has consistently opposed yearly city tax increases for non-essential hiring and other items.

Roberts is one of the longest serving members of the Council of Government’s Transportation Planning Board, with nearly 22 years of service. He is also council liaison to the Youth Advisory Board and Forest Preserve Advisory Board. Roberts is a member and former chair of the Committee to Save the Green Belt and a founding member of the Greenbelt Foundation for the Arts.



Susan Stewart

I was born in Washington, D.C., and raised here in Maryland; however my parents met across the world from here during the Vietnam War. My mother is from South Vietnam and my father is a veteran of the U.S. Army from Talledega, Ala. A middle child to an older brother and younger sister, I grew up living in the Walter Reed army section in Wheaton most of my childhood, until we moved to Silver Spring

close to Sligo Creek Park, where my parents still live.

A serious student who excelled in every subject, I pursued a music degree in hopes it would fulfill my passions, while still allowing me time to raise a family and teach children. I received a bachelor’s in music performance for violin with a minor in mathematics from James Madison University in Virginia and was awarded a scholarship to pursue my master’s in music from the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana. While performing on the side, I was teaching music students of all ages, from 3 to 70, with at one point about 60 students under my tutelage.

We moved to Ohio while my husband pursued his law degree. Unhappy with the corruption in local and national politics, I looked back to Maryland, in search of a home in a community that understood the needs of families but was also wise to corruption that ruins communities. A friend turned us on to Greenbelt and it has been my

haven these past seven years.

On my return to Maryland in 2004 as a stay-at-home mother, I have become more deeply involved with many progressive and environmental issues. Working to fight climate change and protect the environment, I volunteered with groups such as the Chesapeake Climate Action Network, 1Sky, 350.org, and the Prince George’s chapter of the Sierra Club. I have leadership training with Progressive Majority and Wellstone Action and I also have attended many conferences hosted by progressive and environmental groups such as The Campaign for America’s Future, Peace & Justice coalition, Powershift and Progressive Maryland.

Here in Greenbelt, I have been actively involved with the Greenbelt Climate Action Network, where last election I helped to organize a panel for city candidates on issues concerning the environment and justice. An active member of the Greenbelt Elementary School (GES) PTA, I have been chairing/

co-chairing the Labor Day book sale for the last three years and volunteer throughout the year in the school library. Volunteering for the Greenbelt Farmer’s market, I started a project called Treadle Tree to make reusable bags from old t-shirts using my treadle-powered sewing machine, to help our community reduce our use of plastic bags. We live in GHI and my husband is a member of the GHI Audit Committee. I am also a member of the Executive Committee for the Prince George’s County Sierra Club chapter, where we are focusing on zero-waste solutions.

My son, age 10, attends GES and is a student at Tai Yim Kung Fu school in Kensington. My husband is an attorney for a government agency and he attends pottery classes at the Community Center. In addition to keeping busy as a citizen lobbyist and volunteer in the community, I also keep a thoroughly neglected bed of plants in the Community Gardens and I enjoy any excuse to pull my violin out and play.

Make a date for Nov. 5 with a voting booth.

Re-elect Emmett V. Jordan to Greenbelt City Council

City Council and Open Government

- Discussions at Council Work sessions in the Community Center need to be videotaped so residents can better follow issues. Work sessions should occasionally be held in different locations (hosted by Home Owner Associations, Co-ops or the Schools) to encourage more participation. Meetings must to be tailored to encourage involvement. I will push to focus on resident issues first, and to reduce the length of meetings, when possible.
- Substantial investments have been made in electronic record keeping systems over the past few years. More timely and detailed information about public safety, public works projects, code enforcement and community planning can and should be available to the public.
- Volunteers can greatly expand the capacity of government. Our residents are the Citys’ greatest asset. We must find ways to tap their skills in substantial ways and increase the involvement of our residents and students. While good supervision is required, the payoff will be greater than the investment of time.

“Citizen engagement and access to information are the basis of good government”.

Streamlining City Government

- Increasing efficiency and growing the local economy are ways to maintain quality residential services without compromising on the City’s future. We must do more to attract and sustain desirable commercial activity in Greenbelt.
- An “assessment study”, looking at city department structure and job staff, was conducted last year. Its recommendations should help council make good decisions about cutting costs. I will work to see that it is seriously discussed and that council is prepared to take a fresh look at how we do business.



Below is a listing of a few of my supporters

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Greenbelt Community Questionnaire 2013

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GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1. Residency:**
_____ Apartment _____ Townhouse
_____ GHI _____ Condominium
_____ Detached Single Family Home
- 2. Do you?** _____ Own _____ Rent
- 3. Age:** _____ 18-29 _____ 61-74
 _____ 30-44 _____ 75+
 _____ 45-60
- 4. How many years have you lived in Greenbelt?**
_____ Less than 1 year _____ 1-5 yrs.
_____ 6-10 yrs _____ 11-20 yrs.
_____ 21-30 yrs. _____ More than 30 yrs.
- 5. Employment Status (Please check all that apply.)**
_____ Full-Time _____ Part-Time
_____ Unemployed _____ Retired
_____ Stay at home parent
_____ Work from home
- 6. Where do you work?**
_____ Greenbelt
_____ Prince George’s County
_____ Baltimore
_____ Washington, D.C.
_____ Montgomery County
_____ Other
- 7. How long is your commute to work?**
_____ Less than 30 min. _____ 60-90 min
_____ 30-60 min _____ 90+ min.
- 8. Please prioritize (1-3 your top three modes of transportation**
_____ Personal Automobile
_____ MetroBus
_____ Carpool/Vanpool
_____ TheBus
_____ Metrorail
_____ Taxi
_____ Bicycling/Walking
_____ Other

ELECTION OF CITY COUNCIL

- 1. Should the Council have term limits?**
_____ Yes _____ No
- 2. Should the Council member terms be increased from 2 year terms to 4 year terms?**
_____ Yes _____ No
- 3. Should there be a separate election for the Mayor?**
_____ Yes _____ No
- 4. Should there be a recall process?**
_____ Yes _____ No

PUBLIC SAFETY

- 1. Please rate your satisfaction over the last 2 years with the following services. (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)**
_____ Police Presence
_____ Police Responsiveness
_____ Dispatcher Responsiveness
_____ Overall Police Performance
_____ Overall Police Employee Competence
_____ Police Attitude & Behavior Towards Citizens
_____ Animal Control
_____ Traffic Control
_____ Fire & Rescue
_____ Parking Enforcement
- 2. Do you have any concern about safety and security within Greenbelt? If so, please list:**

- 3. If you have contacted the Police Dept. in the last 2 years, was the employee polite and courteous?** _____ Yes _____ No
- 4. Did the police employee assist you satisfactorily?**
_____ Yes _____ No
_____ Don’t Know

- 5. If you have any suggestions for improving police services, please list them under General Comments #4.**

PUBLIC WORKS

- 1. Please rate your satisfaction over the last 2 years with the following services. (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)**
_____ Street Maintenance
_____ Street Lighting
_____ Street Cleaning
_____ Snow Removal
_____ Sidewalk Maintenance
_____ Crosswalks
_____ Bike Lanes
_____ Park Maintenance
_____ Refuse Collection
_____ Recycling
_____ Horticulture/Planting
_____ Building Maintenance
_____ Bus Stops
- 2. If you have contacted Public Works in the last 2 years, was the employee polite and courteous?** _____ Yes _____ No

GREENBELT CARES /SOCIAL SERVICES

- 1. Have you or any of your family utilized any of the services listed in #2 in the last 2 years?**
_____ Yes _____ No
- 2. If so, please rate your satisfaction with them. (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)**
_____ Counseling (individual, family or group)
_____ Crisis Intervention Counseling
_____ Tutoring
_____ Discussion Groups in School
_____ Job Bank
_____ Babysitting Workshop
_____ GED Program
_____ Assistance in Living (GAIL) Program
- 3. If you plan to remain in your home as you age, which of the following would you require:**
_____ Online Advice & Support
_____ Home Modifications
_____ Activities for Homebound
_____ 1st Floor Bathroom
_____ Other: _____
- 4. How soon would you need these services?**
_____ Now _____ 1-3 Years _____ 4-7 Years
_____ 8+ Years

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/ CODE ENFORCEMENT

- Have you had personal contact with Community Development/Code Enforcement Dept. in the last 2 years?**
_____ Yes _____ No
- 2. Was the Community Development/ Code Enforcement employee polite and courteous?**
_____ Yes _____ No
- 3. Did the Community Development/ Code Enforcement employee assist you satisfactorily?** _____ Yes _____ No

EDUCATION

- 1. If you have school age children, please rate the schools currently attended. (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)**
_____ Greenbelt Elementary
_____ Springhill Lake Elementary
_____ Magnolia Elementary
_____ Turning Point Academy
_____ Greenbelt Middle School
_____ Eleanor Roosevelt High School
_____ Home Schooling
_____ Other _____
- 2. Using the same scale, please rate the Prince George’s School System overall.**

- 3. Please rank the following questions. (5=Strongly Agree, 4=Agree, 3=Neutral, 2=Disagree, 1=Strongly Disagree)**
_____ The City should continue to provide Science & Reading Clubs
_____ The City should continue to provide grants to Greenbelt schools
_____ County taxes should be increased to fund education.
- 4. Given limited funding, which should be emphasized by the County? (Please select only one.)**
_____ Charter Schools
_____ Magnet Schools
_____ Neighborhood Schools

RECREATION

- 1. Please rate your satisfaction with any facilities which you or your family have attended: (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)**
_____ Aquatic & Fitness Center
_____ Athletic Fields
_____ Community Center
_____ Springhill Lake Rec. Center
_____ Youth Center
_____ Parks
_____ Trails
_____ Dog Park
_____ Skate Park
_____ Playgrounds
_____ Other _____
- 2. Please rate your satisfaction with any activities which you or your family have attended: (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)**
_____ Fitness classes
_____ Pre-School classes
_____ Youth/Adult classes
_____ Camp programs
_____ Visual Art programs
_____ Senior programs
_____ Performing Art programs
_____ Aquatics programs
_____ Special Events (Fall Fest, Festival of Lights, Celebration of Spring, etc.)
_____ Other (Please Specify): _____
- 3. Please check any programs which you or a member of your household are likely to attend within the next 2 years. (Check all that apply)**
_____ Pre-school Activities
_____ Children’s Afterschool Activities
_____ Children’s Weekend Activities
_____ Children’s Drop-In Activities
_____ Home School/School Enrichment Activities
_____ Family Recreation Activities – Weekends
_____ Drop-In Activities
_____ Adult Classes or Leagues
_____ Senior Activities
_____ Special Events (Artful Afternoons, Fall Fest, Celebration of Spring, etc.)

GREENBELT MUSEUM

- Have you or a member of your household attended a museum activity in the past 2 years?**
_____ Yes _____ No

PUBLIC INFORMATION

- 1. How would you prefer to receive information about City programs and services? (Please rank in priority order 1-9; 1=top preference)**
_____ Cable TV
_____ Direct mail
_____ City Newsletter
_____ City Website
_____ Greenbelt News Review
_____ Posters & fliers
_____ E-mail notifications
_____ Social Media
_____ Other _____

- 2. Please rate your satisfaction with Greenbelt’s efforts to publicize and broadcast official information and City events?** _____ (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)
- 3. Do you make use of the City’s website at www.greenbeltmd.gov?**
_____ Yes _____ No
- 4. Is there a service that we do not offer on our website that you would like to see? If yes, what is that service?**
_____ Yes _____ No

- 5. Have you used the video streaming/ on-demand section of the City website**
_____ Yes _____ No

CITY SERVICES & TAXES

- 1. How do you rate the value of City services and programs for your tax dollars?** _____ (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)
- 2. The City has limited ability to raise revenues other than through property taxes or fees. In light of this fact, would you support a tax rate increase in order to:**
Maintain current City services/programs
 _____ Yes _____ No
Increase City services/programs
 _____ Yes _____ No
Provide fair compensation to employees
 _____ Yes _____ No
- 3. In general, should City services be (choose one):**
_____ Kept at the same level
_____ Reduced _____ Increased
- 4. If the City had to reduce services/programs, which ones would you suggest and why?** _____

GENERAL COMMENTS

- 1.What is your opinion of the condition/ usability of pedestrian and bicyclist infrastructure (sidewalks, crosswalks, bike lanes, bus stops, signage, etc. in Greenbelt?**

- 2. Describe what you like most about the Greenbelt community.**

- 3. Describe what you like least about the Greenbelt Community.**

- 4. Are there any improvements to City or new City Programs you would suggest?**

- 5. Other Comments:**

